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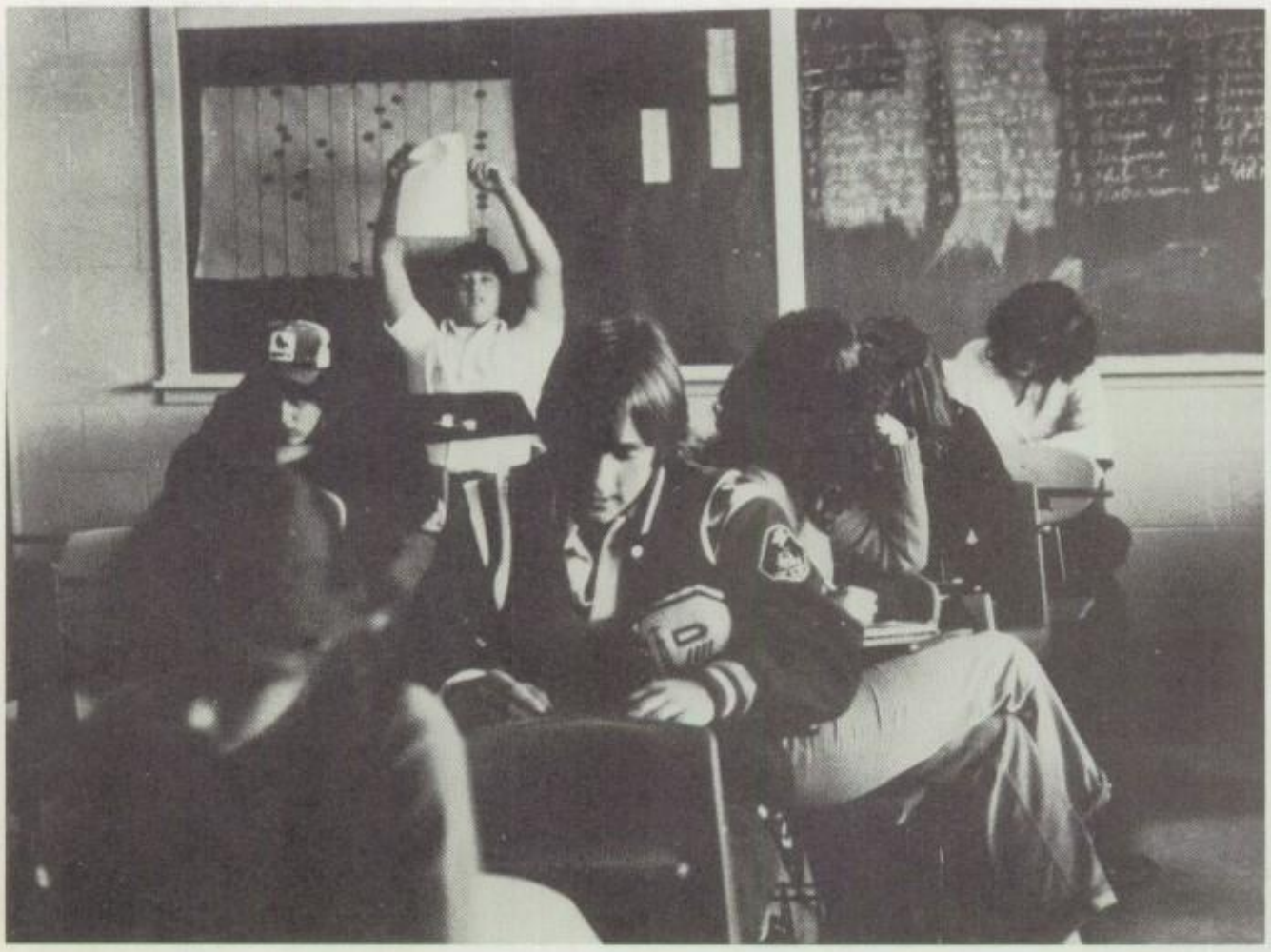
Seniors Carol Reed, Coni Barney and Janice Nowakowski finish last minute details for the Pirate Log.

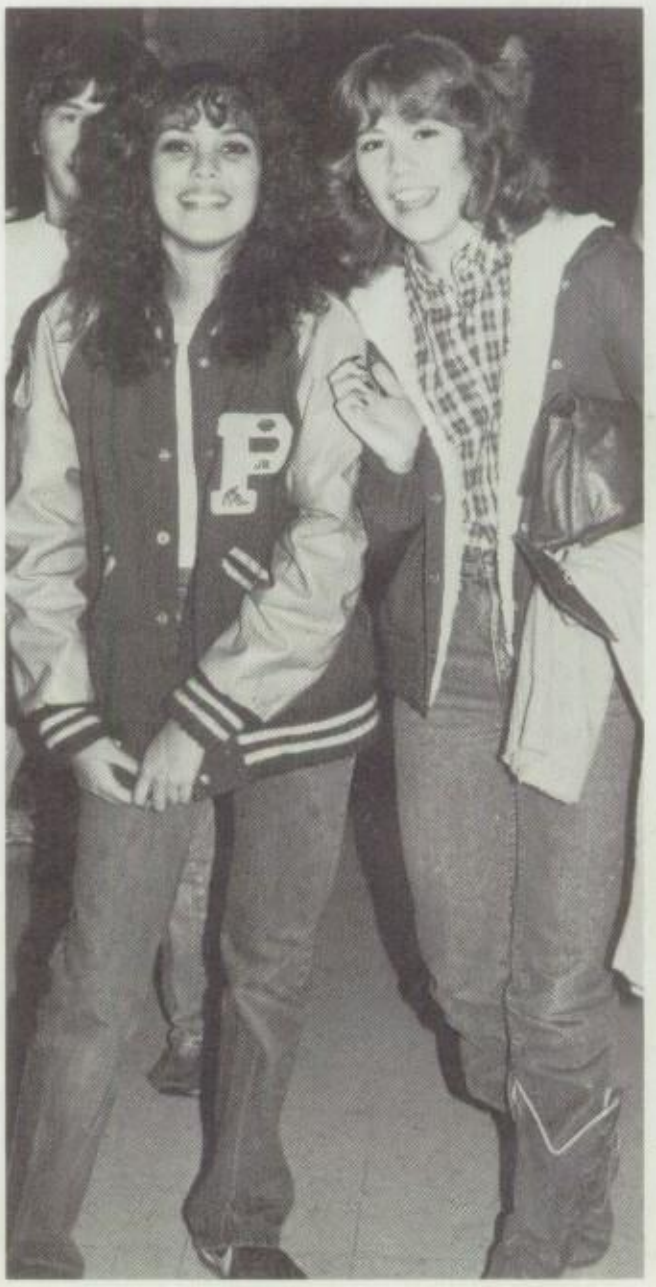
Sophomore Royce Qualls works on his techniques for Mrs. Almon's Newspaper and Yearbook staff.

Juniors Danita Manning and Libby Searles try to avoid the mud and water from the much needed rain.



Students in Mrs. Brattons Heroes in Athletics class study during class to finish an assignment.

Tammy Yandell and Jerri Calhoun, sophomores, prepare to go to lunch after their fourth hour class.



Sophomores Allison McElhaney and Traycee Kerbow clown around in between classes.

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Biology II's model dresses in the latest fashions for winter.

Mark Sullivan and Keith Moon team up for an extra point.

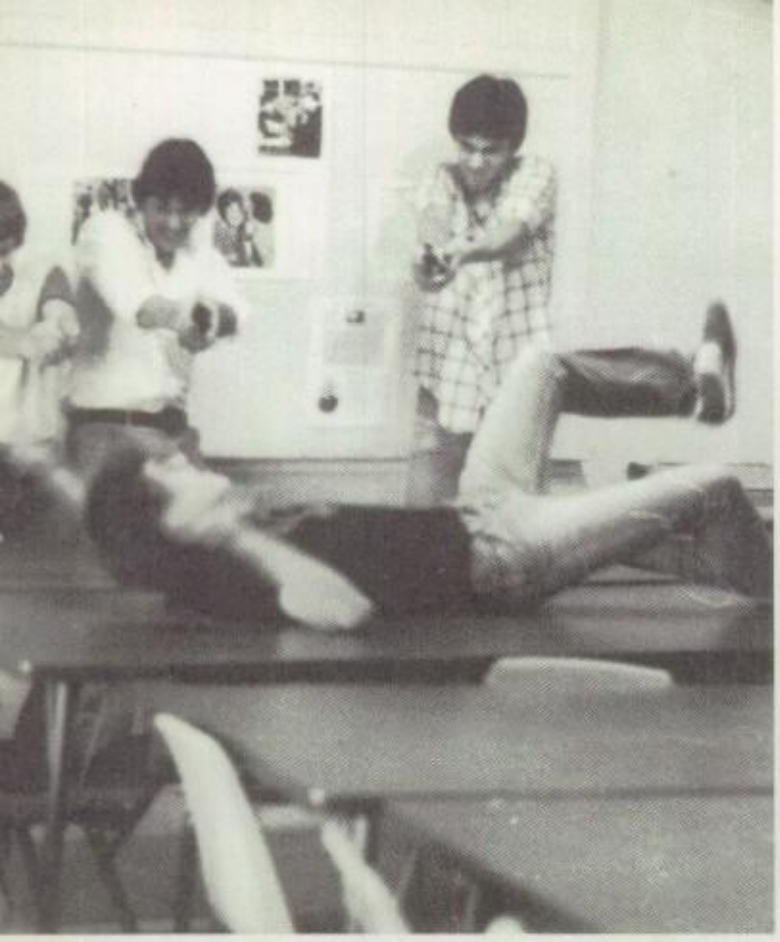
Joyce Tanner, Kim Ogilvie, and Tara Holstead strut their stuff during halftime.

truction gets under way on the addition to vest end of the building.

Lisa Davis helps with the Christmas decorations prior to the holiday break.

One hundred thirteen seniors, 115 juniors, and 134 sophomores started to school August 18. Once again we were swept up into the excitement of school activities as summer memories were pushed into the background.

We all stuck together through trying times. Mr. Hicks' 12:37 classes, and when the more adventurous members of the trig class (all of them) met for an unofficial reunion at the Polar Bear. Why were most of these schemes the brainchild of Jerry Holton, but he never seemed to get what was coming to him?



Steve Clay, Brad Biber, Mike Lum and Jay Willis act out their Bad Brad's Warehouse commercial.

Junior, Mike Darneal admires the National Guard helicopter on display at Costner Stadium.

David Alexander and Ronnie Burgess goof off on their way to class.

Seniors Laurie Woodruff, Kristi Schroeder, and Sherry Dedmon discuss their next hour class.

r Mark Caldwell enjoys his after school s.

Junior Lisa Shankle work hard to meet a newspaper deadline.

Sophomore trackster Mark Winters hurdles to another win.

Bonfires brought out more spirit than ever before as cheerleaders and band members got things going.

We continued the old habit of waiting til the last minute to cram for a test we'd known about for two weeks, Holly Hayes could never seem to stay off crutches, and every Chemistry lab experiment was likely to end with a 500 liter beaker being dropped, water all over the floor, or both.

Cockroaches grew to enormous lengths in the darkroom, and a couple of scientific journalism students bunsen burnered them.

We lived '81, and lived it big, but we were thinking of '82 when four grades would be housed at PHS, and the seniors were glad they would graduate before all the chaos started.

Escape, Privacy, Punishment

Bedrooms are sometimes more than just four walls filled with dressers and beds. Souvenirs are seldom taken for granted by students who consider their bedroom is held with highest regard and trespassers could be persecuted. All people have different ideas of what bedrooms are used for. "I don't know what my bedroom is like because I only sleep there," said Senior Janita Barber. Susan Renfro has a different idea. She quoted, "My bedroom is too small for anything."

Some people escape to their bedrooms for privacy, others are made to go because of punishment, and others aren't home long enough to know what their bedroom looks like.

Junior, Linda Brown shows Senior, Donna Smith one of the many dolls in her collection.

Senior LeeAnn Fisher shows off her collection of frogs.

Junior Steve Clay spends time with his favorite pastime music.

Sophomores, Eric Gallant and David Abrams relax in their favorite surroundings of hot rods and rock groups.

Mary Beth Alexander, senior, spends her spare time working with Stained glass.

Junior Shelly Jones, enjoys painting all types of pictures.

Kent Creighton and Eldon Dugan, seniors, work after school at Poteau Food Market.

Senior Darren Cooper, displays his collection of furs and Indian artifacts.

Work: A Four-Letter Word

Work is a four letter word, but for those students who can handle it, along with school work and other activities, it's sure nice to have the extra bucks and fatten up the ol' bank account. Some work to earn money for fixing up their car and keeping it gassed. Others spend endless hours at the pinball machine, spending their paycheck a quarter at a time.

Several area businesses are willing to give students work experience and some spending money, such as Poteau Food Market, Skate-Reation, and many others.

A high school student's free time is reverently guarded, and not to be wasted.

"I enjoy photography, skating and working with radio equipment," commented Alan Collins.

"I work after school at An-thoney's," said junior Lisa Shankle. "When I have time, I like to play tennis."

Many students just like to stay home to watch TV or work on a project. Senior Leslie Hill remarked, "I like to read and do needlepoint."

Everett Seagraves, senior, displays his model train which is a full time hobby.

Athletes Honored

Chris Lincoln, sports director of Tulsa's KTUL-TV and a play by-play announcer for ABC college football, regaled more than 100 Poteau High School athletes with humor and advice at the annual Poteau Quarterback Club All-Sports banquet, at which five Poteau High School Seniors were honored.

Stacy fox, premier linebacker won Linebacker of the year. The Wise Memorial award for Back of the year was won by Jon Sullivan, the first time a defensive standout has received the trophy since it was begun about 10 years ago. Becky Ritter was named Girl Athlete of the year.

Coach Jack Hornbuckle presented the Outstanding Wrestler trophy to Troy Talley, who has a career record of 92 wins and a long string of "all" titles. Coach Nelson Davis presented the Outstanding Basketball Player trophy to Doug Stone.

Jon Sullivan was presented with the Wise Memorial Award for Back of the year by Jimmy Graves.

Stacy Fox won the Lineman of the year Awa presented by Poteau News & Sun publisher Da rell Sumner.

Sullivan, Becky Ritter, and Stacy Fox pose the tropies they won during the All-Sports uet.

Becky Ritter was named Senior Girl Athlete of the year by the women's booster Club with Ardith Wilkerson making the presentation.

Doug Stone, outstanding basketball player and Troy Talley, outstanding wrestler show off their trophies.

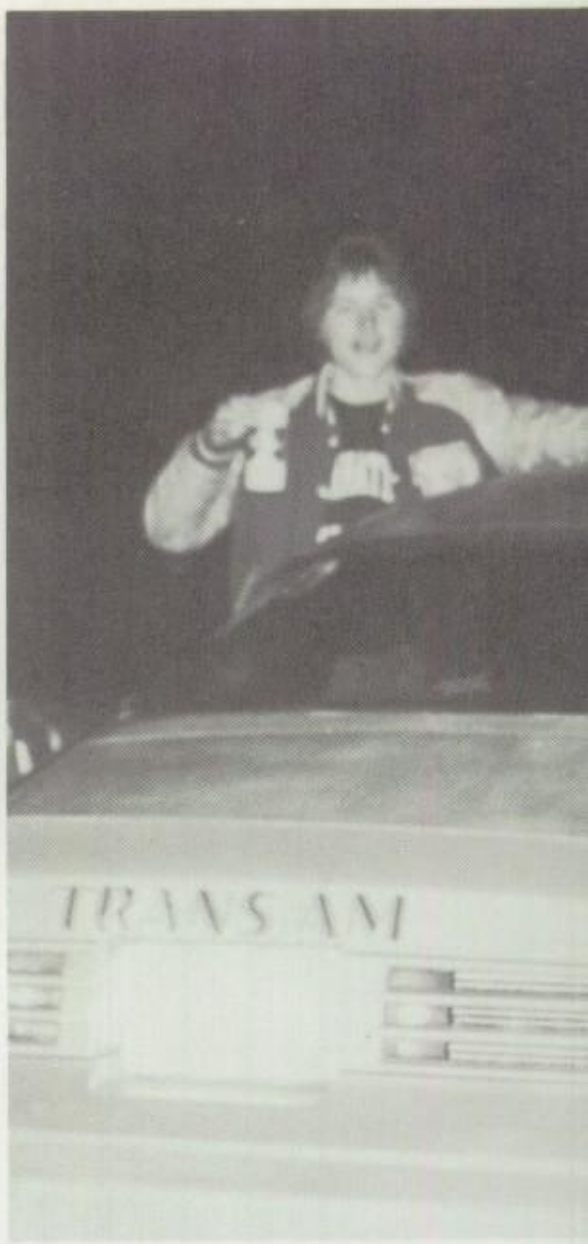
Cruising: A Popular Activity

Going to movies, going skating and cruising around are the most popular free time activities among PHS students.

Going to Ft. Smith to the movies or to the mall is an enjoyment for most people. Some prefer the greater selection of movies in Ft. Smith at Central Mall, Phoenix Village and the Minitec.

Roller Skating has enjoyed a new wave of popularity across the country, and Poteau is no exception. Since the openings of Triple R and Skate Reation Roller Rinks this age-old pasttime has become "in" once again.

Now that Gasoline prices have become nearly astronomical, many students whose gas money comes from their own pockets have cut down considerably their "riding around." Still others, however, would rather burn it up on weekends and run on fumes during the week.



Natalie Qualls, Tracy Kerbow, and Shanna Higgins spend some weekends at Skate Reation.

Sherry Dedmon purchases a coke before watching a movie at Poteau Twin Theatre.

Bobby Pickle and Kerry Plummer enjoy a night on the town.

Kent Creighton and Laurie Woodruff share a chocolate sundae on a Saturday Night date.

Lisa Davis spends her Friday night watching a show.

Mary Beth Alexander, Tracy McConnell, Donna Johnston, Jerry Townley, Kerry Plummer, Sean Teague Bobby Pickle boast T-shirts featuring their latest rock groups.

Mia Ray senior and Lisa Shankle junior, wear the newest style of coveralls.

Debra Myers junior, and Kim Ogilvie senior, model the latest fashion in dress wear.

Trends, Fads, Fashions

Years have come and gone and so have fashions. There has been a great change in the past decade. Skirts have one from mini to maxi then back up to just below the knee. Plaid skirts with knee socks and penny loafers are the "in" thing in casual wear. Pants tucked into boots has become a slow but growing trend also. At PHS Levis and Nikes have retained popularity for both girls and guys. With the release of the movie Urban Cowboy western clothes have come into focus.

Roller skating has become a growing fad in Poteau since the recent building of two new skating rinks. Sports cars are growing in popularity. Although few students at Poteau High own a Trans AM or Z-28, many keep dreaming that one day they will be able to buy their own, so they can "ride around in class."

If you look around you may think you're being invaded by Asteroid games. It seems to be like that all over America and Poteau is no exception. Many students have spent inumerable hours and much money playing the games and some seem to be fortunate enough to say "they took on the challenge and beat the Asteroids."

Renee Stottsberry styles her hair in the new crimped fashion.

Seniors Jon Sullivan and Kristi Schroeder go a little bit country with fashions inspired by Urban Cowboy.

Chris Glover, senior, wears the latest in velour pullovers.

Leslie Hill entertains prior to the awards presentations.

Mr. and Miss PHS, Donna Smith and M
Caldwell, admire their trophies.

"Wittiest" Holly Hayes and Alan Collins congratulate each other after the presentation.

e suspense is unbearable as Sterling Zearley Kim Ogilvie prepare to announce "Most letic".

'Somewhere In Time'

The Senior Banquet, is always one of the highlights of the school year. Seniors and faculty members were entertained by Kaye McKenzie's song "Where Are They Now?", Leslie Hill's Solo, "It's My Turn" and Suzanne Wise's version of "Always and Forever."

The presentation of awards to the Senior personalities was the highlight of the event: "Best All Around" — Susan Renfro, Sean Stover. "Most Popular" — Sherry Dedmon, Jerry Holton. "Best Looking" — Kristi Schroeder, Jon Sullivan. "Most Athletic" — Becky Ritter, Troy Talley. "Friendliest" — Kim Ogilvie, Terry Reed. "Most Talented" — Leslie Hill, Lawrence Forrest. "Most Likely to Succeed" — Michelle LaFevers, Lynn Ervin, "Wittiest" — Holly Hayes, Alan Collins. "Most Spirited" — Donna Chandler, Kevin Reidy.

A music group including David Deaton, Lawrence Forrest, Chris Glover, Dean Mills, Preston Plumlee, and Kevin Ray performed "Same Old Lange Syne" and the banquet was wrapped up by every one joining in on the school song.

Everyone enjoyed getting together with their classmates one last time before graduation, and the realization was apparent that soon we'd all be going our separate ways.

Sean Stover rises to accept his trophy for "Best All Around".

Juniors and seniors dance to the music of the Silver Hills Band during Prom night.

Senior Lawrence Forrest picks up the bea the music as he enjoys himself on the da floor.

Senior Shari Stover anxiously waits for her date to park his car.

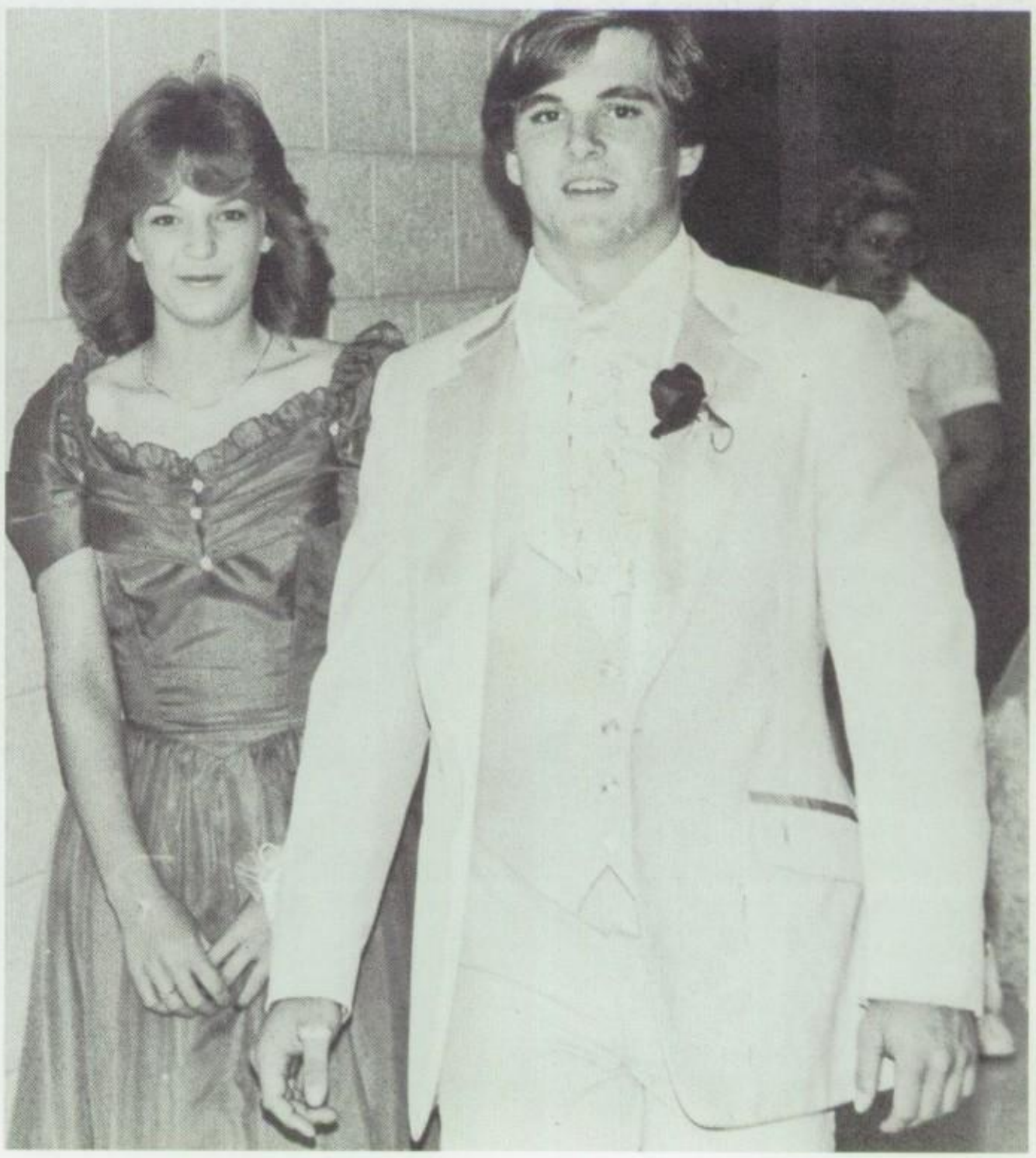
Stacee Stover, Terry Manlove, Mark Sullivan, and Shari Stover take a break from dancing to talk about the night's events.

"A Lil Bit Country"

On May 8, 1981 at 9 p.m., the Poteau Junior-Senior Prom was under way with a full evening of festivities planned. After spending a long week working to prepare for the night's first event, the juniors and seniors were able to enjoy themselves. The band, Silver Hills, played all types of music, including music which followed the theme, "A Lil Bit Country." Following the excitement of the prom, the juniors and seniors who didn't mind missing a night's sleep, went on to the featured movie "Urban Cowboy". The few who managed to stay awake after the movie, went to the breakfast, sponsored by the junior class parents, where door prizes were given away. To cap off the night many made a late trip to the lake to watch the sun rise.

After completing their photograph session Teresa Hinds and Dennis Rohrer decide to check out the Prom.

y Ray and Rhonda Burgess were the punch
ers in the Saloon.



Kim Ogilvie and Renee Greene reflect back high school memories.

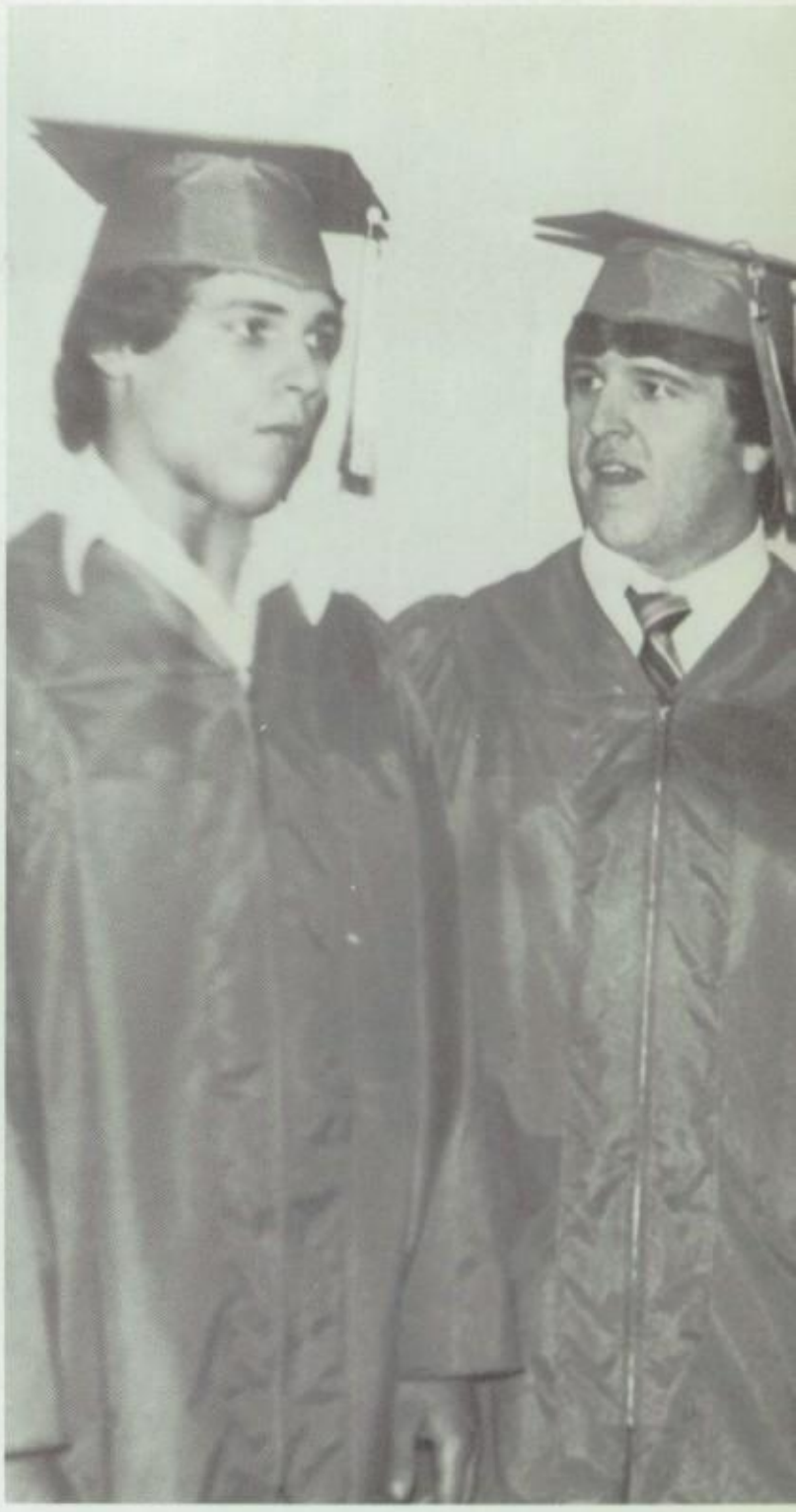
Smiles Through Tears

The Poteau High School class of 1981 participated in Baccalaureate exercises Sunday night, May 17. Rev. Rollin Hole, First Christian Church, was the speaker, with numerous other clergymembers participating. The Young Generation members sang "If You Remember Me" as a few sentimental seniors became teary-eyed.

Commencement exercises, held Thursday, May 21, were highlighted by the valedictory speeches by Michelle LaFevers and Sean Stover, and the presentation of diplomas by Dr. Corr and the school board.

There were smiles through tears as senior classmates congratulated and hugged each other, then looked forward to a night full of celebrating.

. Couri helps Tammy Ralls straighten the ar of her gown.



Stacy Fox and Lenny Humphries wait anxiously for the ceremony to begin.

Kent Creighton and Scott Adkins "Straighten Up" and discuss the upcoming processional.

Valedictorians Sean Stover and Michelle LaFevers congratulate each other after making their speeches.

J. J. White, senior, struggles to catch a pass, while a Fort Gibson opponent covers him.

Lisa McMillian, sophomore, attempts a jump-shot during a game against the Roland Rangers.

Mark Caldwell, junior, shows his excitement when another Poteau player crosses home plate.

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Team Led by New Coaching Staff

Going into the 1980 football season, the team as a whole was filled with a strong desire to win. The entire coaching staff was new, led by first-year head coach Tom Strode, formerly of Tulsa Central.

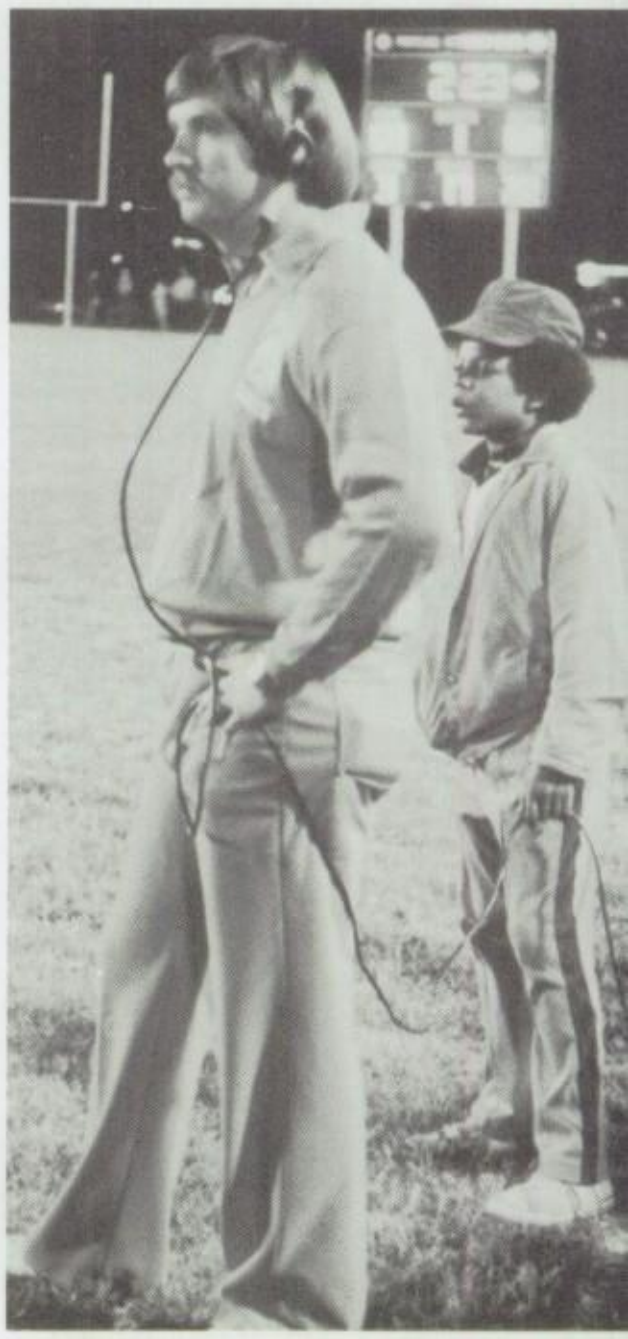
"The other coaches, Bill Perry, Dennis Hemphill, and Kurt Mosely, did a super job and the players' performance reflected their good coaching," Strode praised his assistants.

100+ degree temperatures awaited the Pirates as they began 3-a-days in August.

The Pirate defense goes after the Checotah quarterback.

Cheerleaders — Julie Dedmon, Michele Clar and Annette Armstrong encourage crowd parti ipation in cheering the pirates on to victory.

Asst. Coach Dennis Hemphill keeps a clo watch on the Spiro offense.



PHS SCOREBOARD

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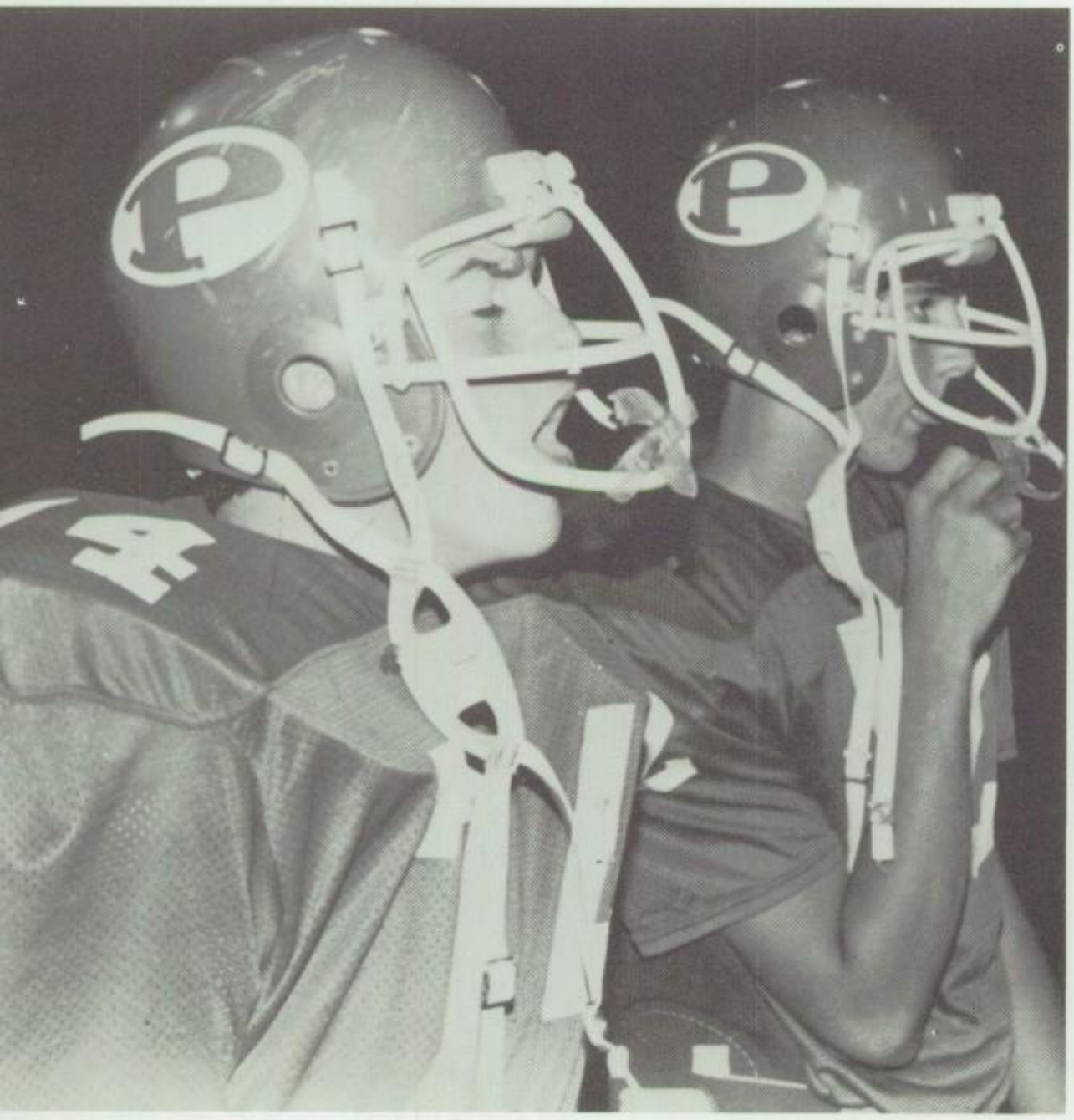
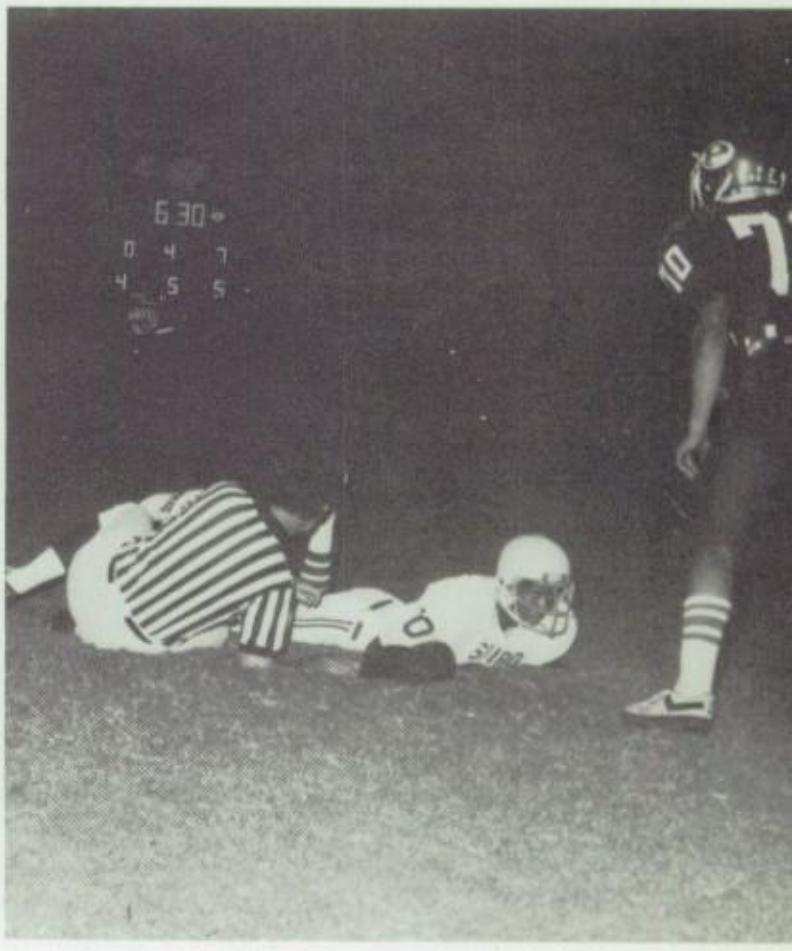
22	Atoka	7
21	Heavenor	7
21	Hartshorne	20
0	Spiro	7
19	Muldrow	8
36	Eufala	6
7	Checotah	24
14	Ft. Gibson	0
20	Stilwell	42
8	Sallisaw	42

ior members of the football team are Row 1: vin Reidy, Sterling Zearley, Jerry Holton, Ed Corr, Jon Sullivan, Mark Hole, Matt Caldwell. Row 2: Eddie Wright, Scott Adkins, Carl Brown, Charlie Davison, Stacy Fox, Lenny Humphries, J. J. White, and Ronnie Campney.



Sophomores Eric Hill and Rodney Hemphill express their anguish as they are defeated by the Checotah Wildcats.

Senior Stacy Fox watches as a referee is flattened by a Spiro Bulldog.



Junior and Sophomore members of the Football team are Row 1: Mark Sullivan, Keith Moon, Mark Winters, Rodney Hemphill, Chris Garland, Jerry Henderson. Row 2: Hoss Deleplank, Kelly Johnson, Franklin Turner, Cary Baetz, Mark Caldwell, Doug Brock, Tracy Ray. Row 3: Eddie Medley, Mike Darneal, Steve Hickman, Steve Sexton, Mike Hunt, Tony Troutman, Dennis Rohrer, Rodney Mapes. Row 4: Eric Hil Donnie Bickford, Roger Hemphill, Donn Sockey, Darren Burgess, Scott Wilkerson, Case Fussell, and Shawn Rohrer.

Coach Perry concentrates as he supervises an after school practice.

Coach Strode emerges from the locker room after a team meeting.

6-4 Season Satisfactory

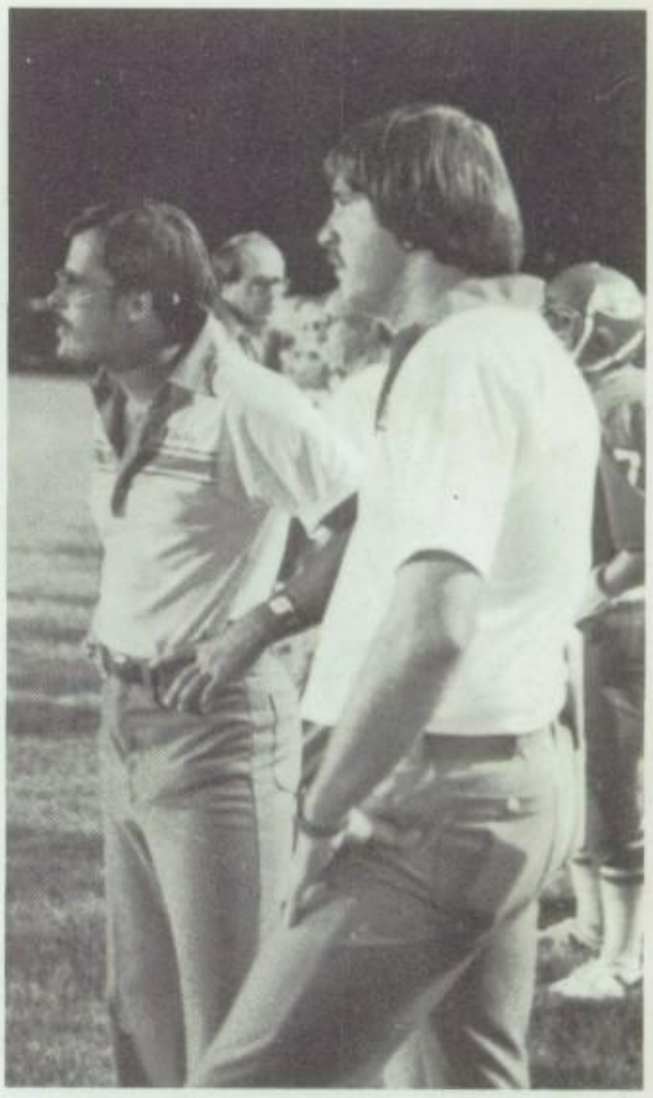
"We really had to keep moving all e time. I think it created a lot of thusiasm for the team," commented rry Holton.

The team held two scrimmages fore the regular season, the first ainst the Vian Wolverines, who owed the Pirates they still had a long y to go to be ready for the season ener.

The team really shaped up for the xt game against Idabel and went into e season with high hopes and a posie attitude.

The Pirates started the season with three straight non-conference wins over Atoka, Heavener and Hartshorne. The Bucs now entered 2a-7 action against archrival Spiro. The Pirates fell to the sixth-rated Bulldogs in a game many players and coaches felt was the difference in a 6-4 and a 7-3 season.

The Pirates won their next two games against Muldrow and Eufaula and entered the Checotah game sporting a 5-1 record.



Coaches Dennis Hemphill and Kurt Mosley anxiously await the outcome of the play.

ior quarterback Jerry Holton fights off ld-be tacklers on his way to a Pirate touchn.

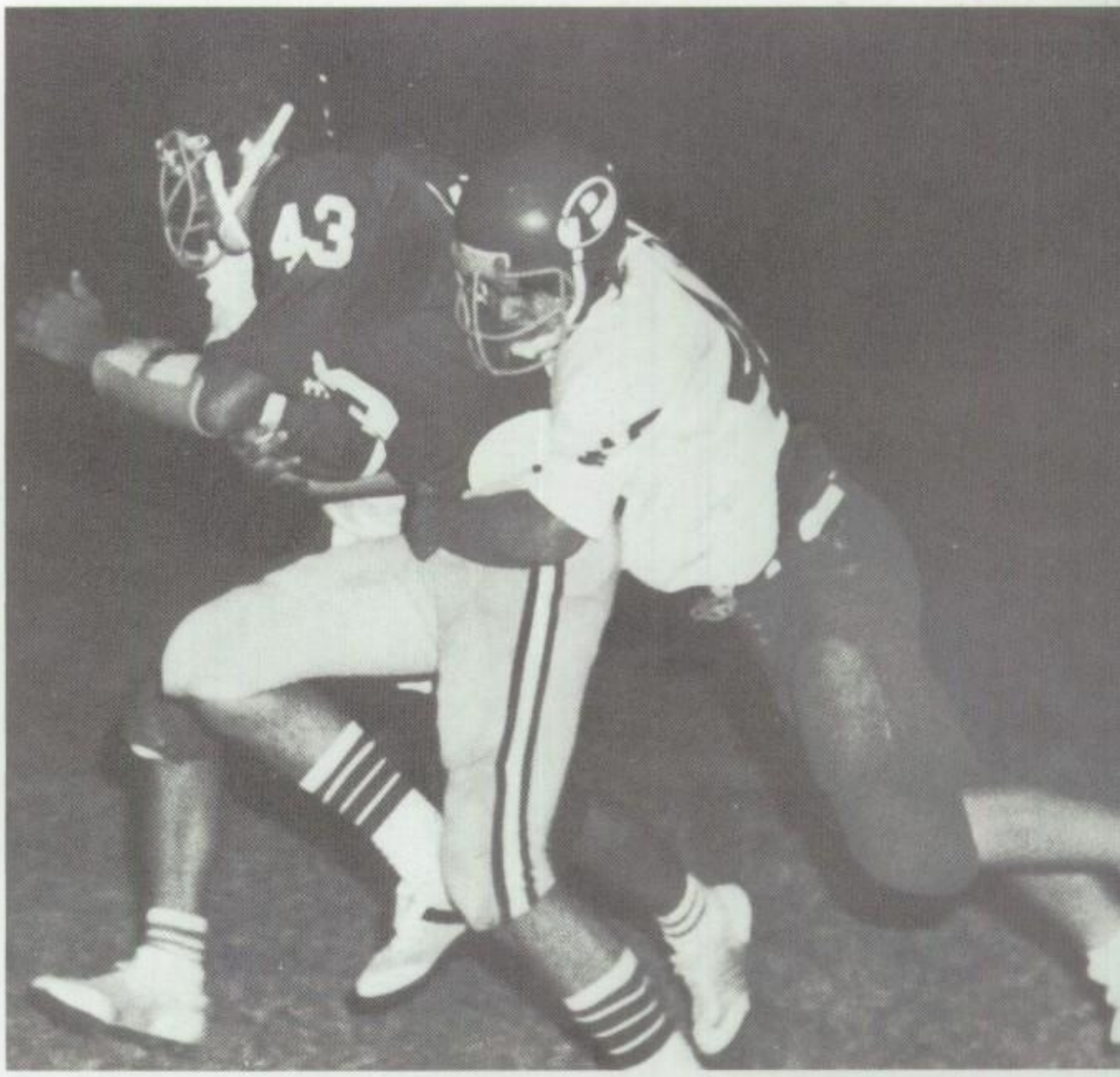
Jerry Henderson scrambles for yardage as Cary Baetz and Scott Adkins block the Muldrow Bulldogs.

Tough Going

The Pirates dropped three of their last four games, however, with two of the losses coming against top-rated teams.

"The two teams we did not play well against were the top two conference teams, and the score showed it," said Strode. "Stilwell was a tough opponent, and Sallisaw, who went on to win the state 2A crown, was naturally a great team," he continued.

We were satisfied with a 6-4 season," said Ronnie Campney.



Senior Charlie Davison fights to bring down a Fort Gibson ball carrier.

Seniors Sherry Dedmon and Donna Smith boost morale for the Hartshorne game.

Pirates pay last respects to a blood-splattered Heavener Wolf as finishing touches are put on the traditional Wolf grave.

Quarterback Jerry Holton discusses offensive strategy with tailback Jerry Henderson.

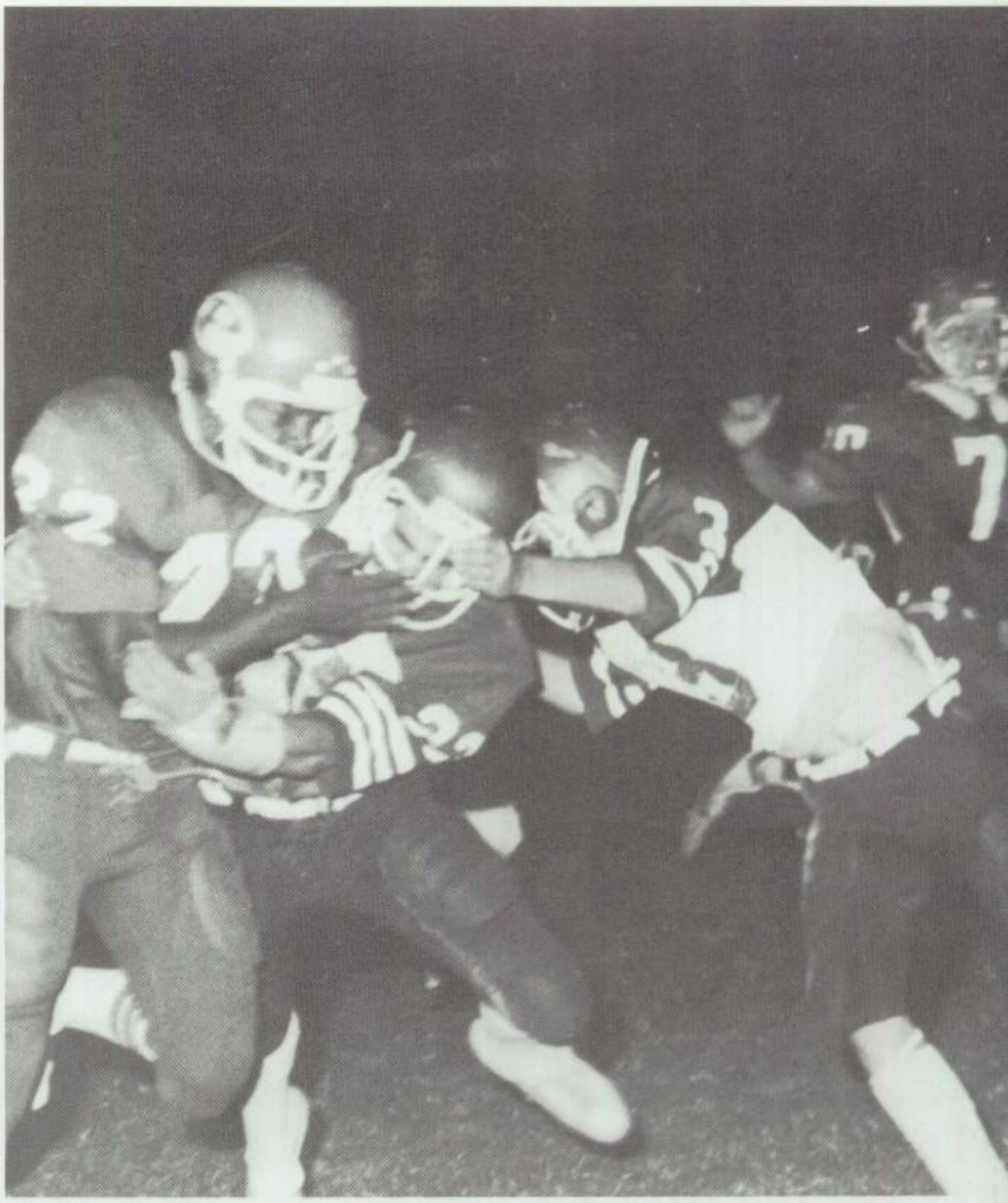
Lela Trujillo has a different way of showing her school spirit.

Caldwell, Roger Hemphill, Tony Trout-Sterling Zerley, Mark Hole, Steve Hickman, and Cary Baetz cheer from the sidelines for the Pirate defense.

Pirates Boast Six to All-Conference

"We were all good friends and played together as a team," stated Ronnie Campney.

The Pirates boasted six of their seniors in the 1980 All-Conference team; CB Jon Sullivan, QB Jerry Holton, TE Jay Jay White, LB Stacy Fox, T Lenny Humphries, and TE Matt Caldwell, as well as two honorable mentions: CB Ed Corr, and DE Ronnie Campney.



Jr. Jerry Henderson scrambles through a pack of bulldogs.

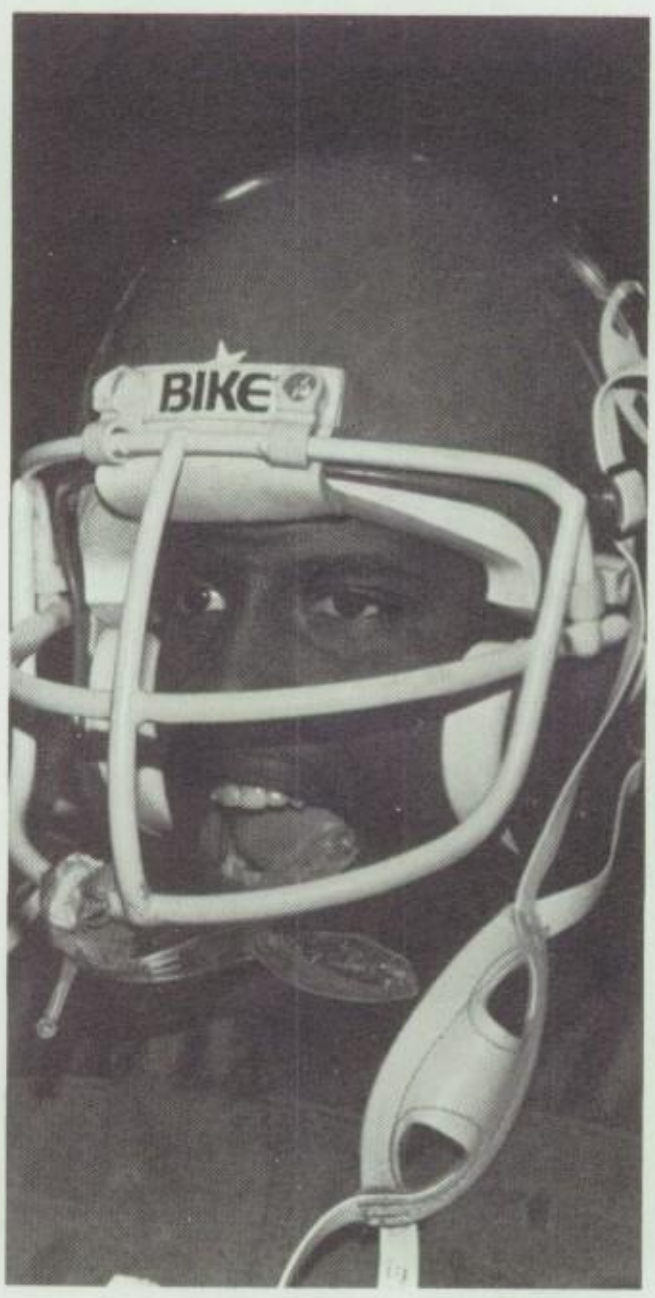
Pirates sweat it out through afternoon practice.

Jr. Tara Holstead leads the band during the halftime performance.

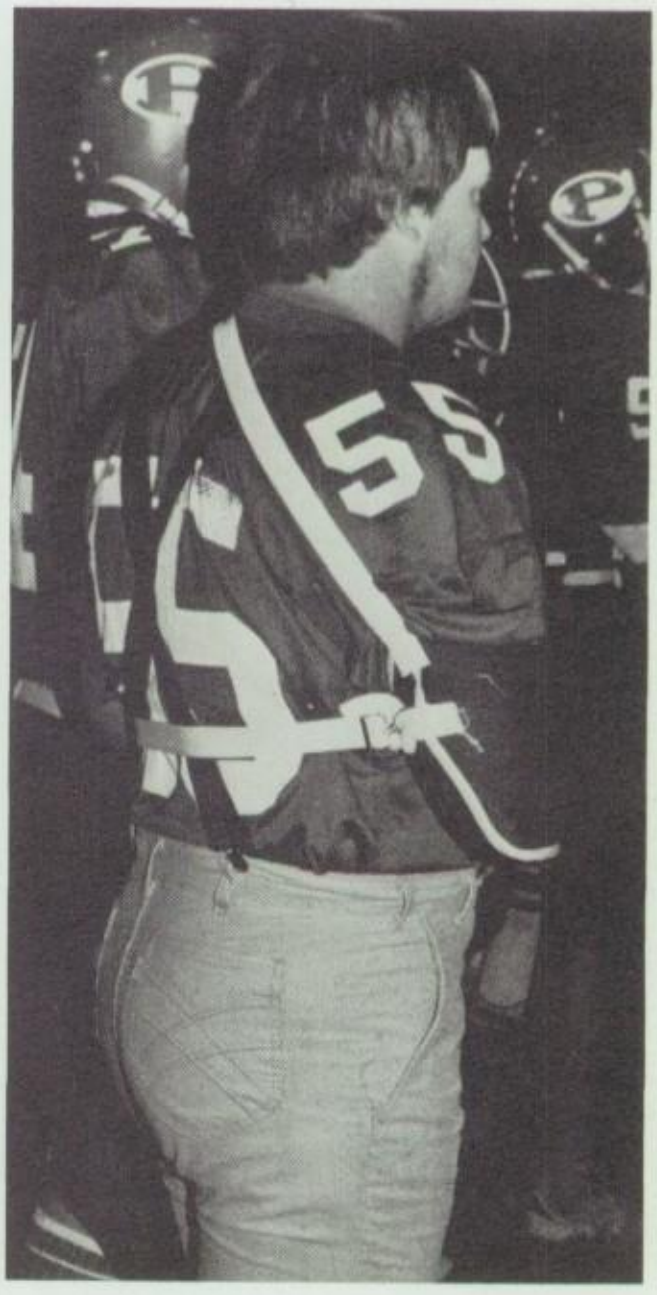
Eddie Wright watches as White catches the pass.

The boys work hard before the Friday night games.

nes Mosley and Perry concentrate as the es run their play.



Franklin Turner expresses his spirit from the sidelines.



Tracy Ray watches from the sidelines hoping to be back out soon.

Homecoming Festive With Friends, Football, Fun

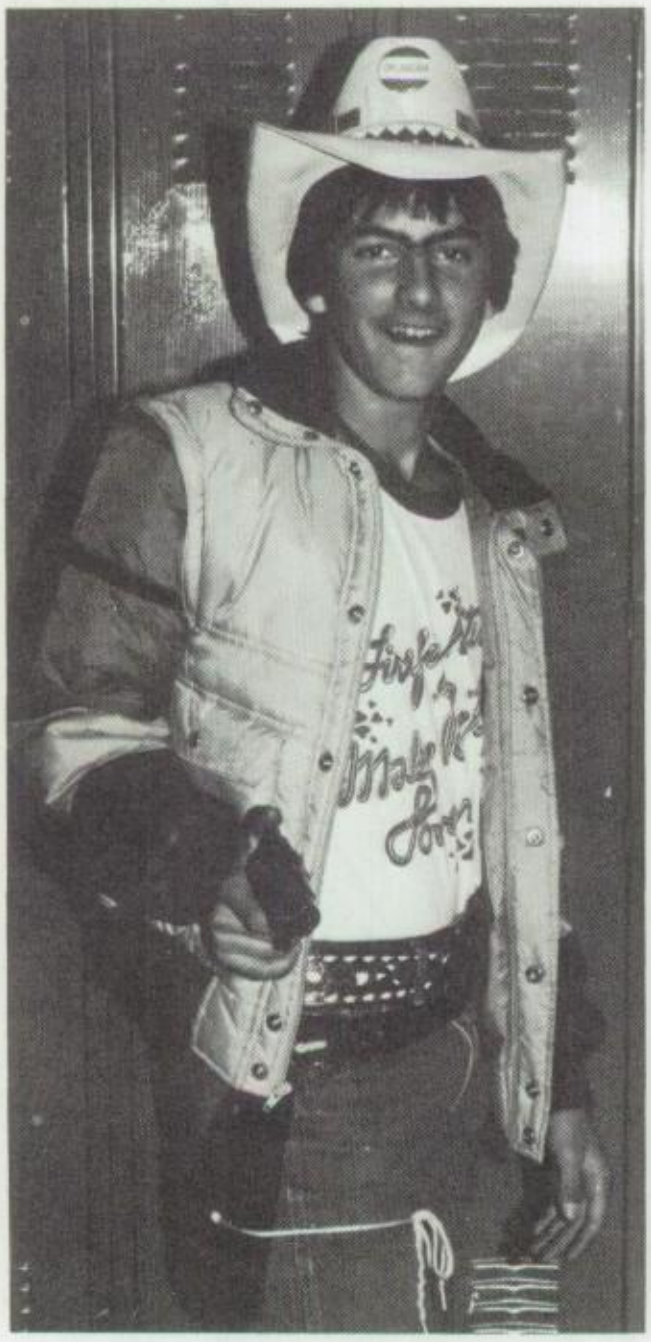
Homecoming week was highlighted by traditional dress-up days. Monday featured Sports Day as budding Pete Roses and Dr. Js came to school in their jock uniforms. Tuesday was Western Day and Urban Cowboys of all kinds roamed our halls. Wednesday — Crazy Day — brought out the zany personality traits in many students. Thursday featured Toga Day in honor of the hit "Animal House" which was a huge success, especially among high school students. Friday finally climaxed a week of fun and festivity. In honor of red and white day, students donned PHS T-shirts and spirit ribbons and showed their enthusiasm for the big game.

Students worked diligently to complete floats for the 2 o'clock parade downtown. Juniors took 1st place in the contest and were presented their honor at the end of the parade at Central Elementary, where a short pep rally followed.

Homecoming half-time ceremonies were colorful and lovely featuring the introductions of the football and band royalty. Band secretary-treasurer Mark Winters escorted sophomore attendant Belinda Billy. Maid honor Tara Holstead was escorted vice-president David Alexand Queen Mary Beth Alexander recei the traditional crown, kiss, and fl ers from Band president Chris Glov

Football royalty, included Ju Dedmon, sophomore attenda escorted by co-captain Rodney Map Junior Debra Myers served as Maid Honor, being escorted by co-capt Jerry Henderson. Queen for the was Michele LaFevers, escorted senior team captain Stacy Fox.

The cowboy in Senior Sterling Zearley comes out on Western Day.



Football Royalty Julie Dedmon, Michelle LaFevers and Debra Myers ride in the homecoming parade.

Spacey Renee Greene takes off with her invisible dog during Crazy Day.

Band royalty Tara Holstead, Mary Beth Alexander, and Belinda Billy are all smiles during the Homecoming parade.

Band Royalty Attendant Belinda Billy, Maid of Honor Tara Holstead, and Queen Mary Beth Alexander gather with the Football Royalty, Queen Michelle LaFevers, Maid of Honor Debra Myers, and Attendant Julie Dedmon, with crown bearers Matt McBee, and Jana Hicks, after the half time ceremony.

The Junior Float placed first in the contest during the homecoming parade.

First Row: Becky Ritter, Donna Chandler, Lee Ann Fisher, Sharon Clayton, Darla Akins, Second Row: Susan Renfro, Kim Watkins, LeQuita Stevens, Cindy Evans, Joy Hill, Third Row: Coach Thomas, Dianna Watson, Trisha Talley, Jane Davis, Lisa McMillian.

Sophomore Guard Sharon Clayton attemp prevent a Roland Rangerette forward from ing a jump shot.

Slow Start, Photo Finish

It was an uphill struggle all the way through the entire season for the Pirettes and victory was at the summit of that hill. Starting the season out, 5 out of the 7 teams in our conference were rated in the top 20 of the state. All the teams agreed that it was the toughest conference in the state.

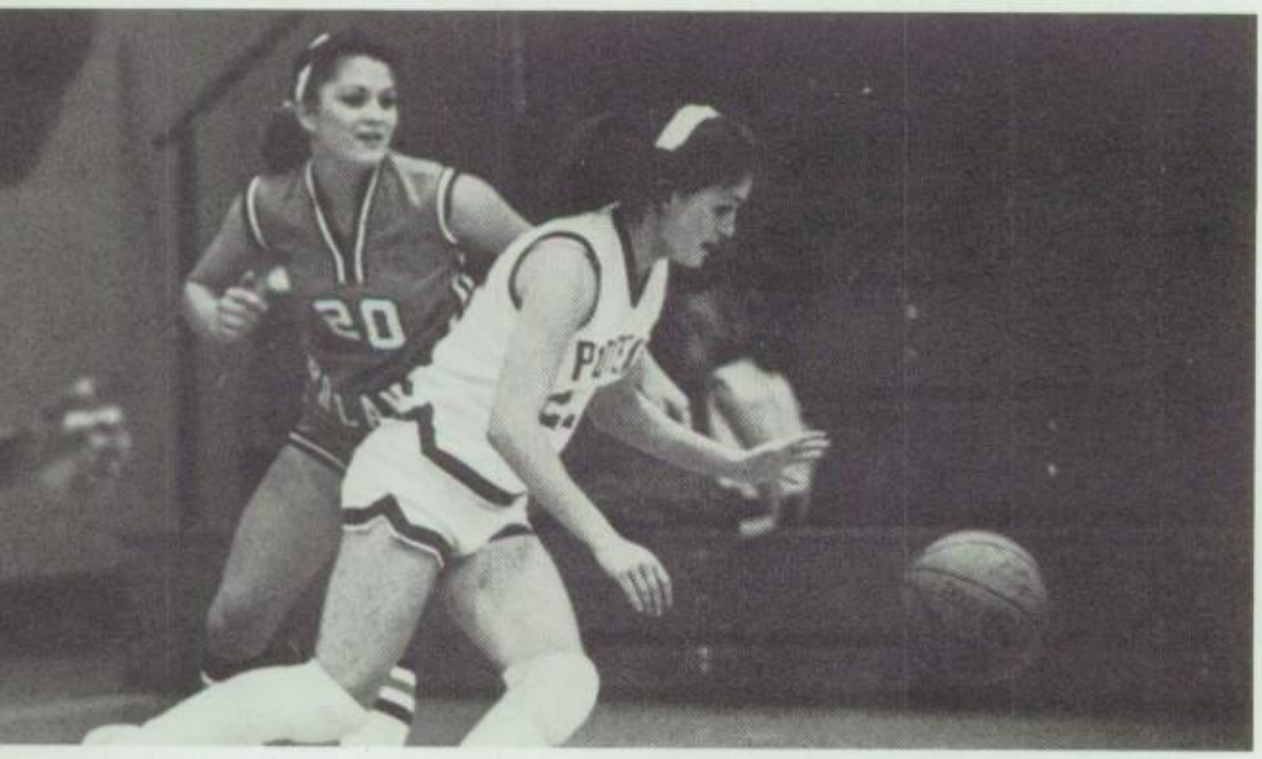
The Pirettes accomplished many of their goals this year. One of those was the highlight of their year, the 47-46 win over Spiro. The four seniors appreciated it more than anyone, because they had never beaten Spiro before.

It was all a mind game from the time they started getting ready until the final buzzer of the game. The score was even throughout the game. With only a few seconds left on the clock they fouled one of Poteau's forwards. The Pirettes made the first free throw and missed the second. The buzzer sounded and the Pirettes came out on top.

In the 80-81 season the Pirettes were in the District Tournament with Heavener and Spiro. The first night they played Heavener and blew them away 76-38. The next night the Pirettes played Spiro for the District Championship.

Sophomore Forward Jane Davis jumps for ball to start off the game against the Stil Indians.

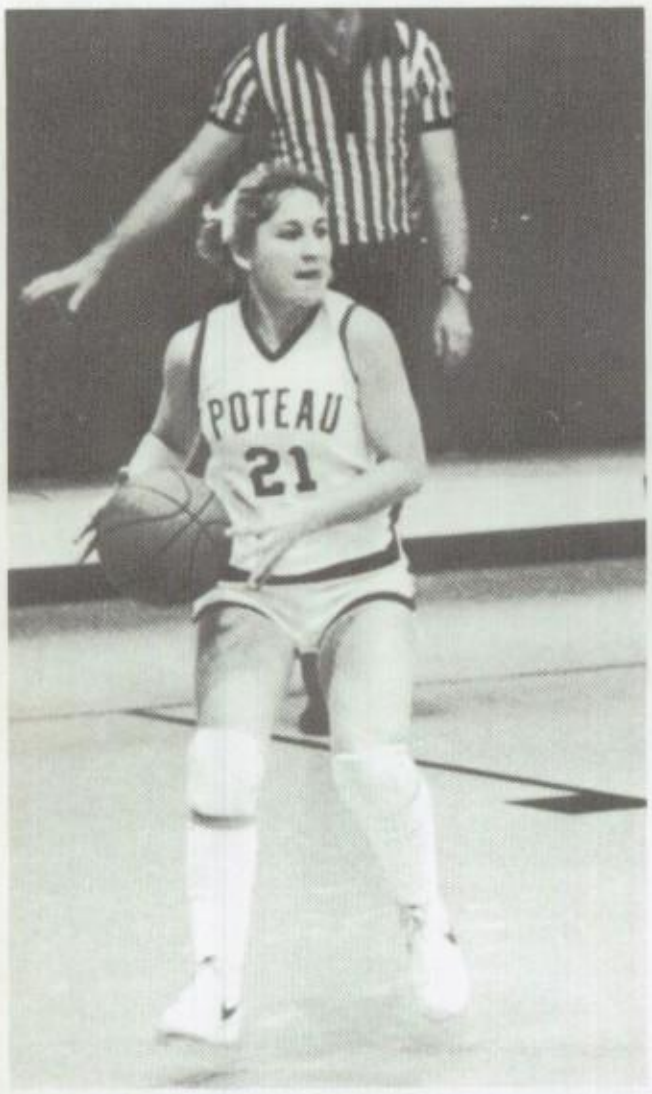
The Pirates huddle as Coach Thomas explains a play during a time out.



Senior Guard Becky Ritter successfully steals the ball from the opposing team's forward.

Poteau Pirette Coach Thomas calls for a time out during a close scoring game.

Senior Guard Lee Ann Fisher looks around to find one of her teammates in order to pass the ball.



Sophomore forward Darla Akins attempts to shoot a free throw.

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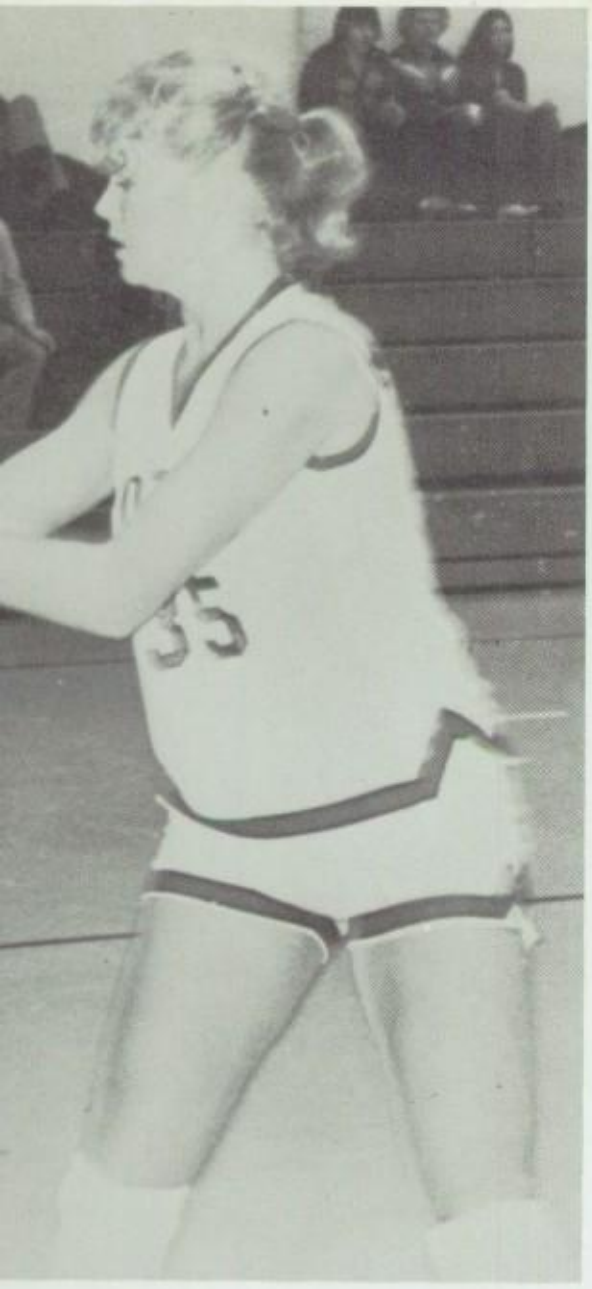
35	Wilburton	44
45	Broken Bow	38
59	Stigler	57
44	Roland	49
44	Stillwell	81
45	Spiro	61
51	Heavener	45
48	Stigler	46
43	Checotah	60
42	Sallisaw	53
60	Pocola	54
56	Spiro	62
51	Roland	58
62	Stillwell	73
47	Spiro	46
54	Heavener	45
47	Sallisaw	80
46	Muldrow	65
55	Stigler	69
76	Heavener	38
58	Spiro	60
48	Roland	49



Junior guard Cindy Evans passes the ball across court to Lisa McMillian during a Stilwell game.

But Luck Ran Out

It was another fight to the finish. At the end of regulation time the score was tied. So starting over with two more minutes on the clock the Spiro Bulldogs came out ahead 58-60. The Poteau Pirettes fought to the end.

It could've gone either way but luck ran out. The Pirettes went on to Regionals in the losers bracket, playing Roland in the Regional Tournament and losing, thus ending the 1980-81 season.

er fighting to get the ball, Sophomore guard Sharon Clayton succeeds in causing a tie jump ball.

Sophomore forward Diana Wasson concentrates as she shoots the ball for a free throw.

First Row: Coach Davis, Doug Ridner, Scott Wilkerson, Phillip Luellen. Second Row: Dennis Adkins, Steve Clay, Franklin Turner, Scott Adkins, Gary Gray, Third Row: Robert Allen, Chris Gorges, Bobby Balentine, Shane Hughes, Paul Wilson, Fourth Row: Terry Reed, Brad Biber, Doug Stone, Mike Lum, Rodney Hemphill, Fifth Row: Jimmy Hart, and Randy Ridner.

Confidence Boosted By Desire

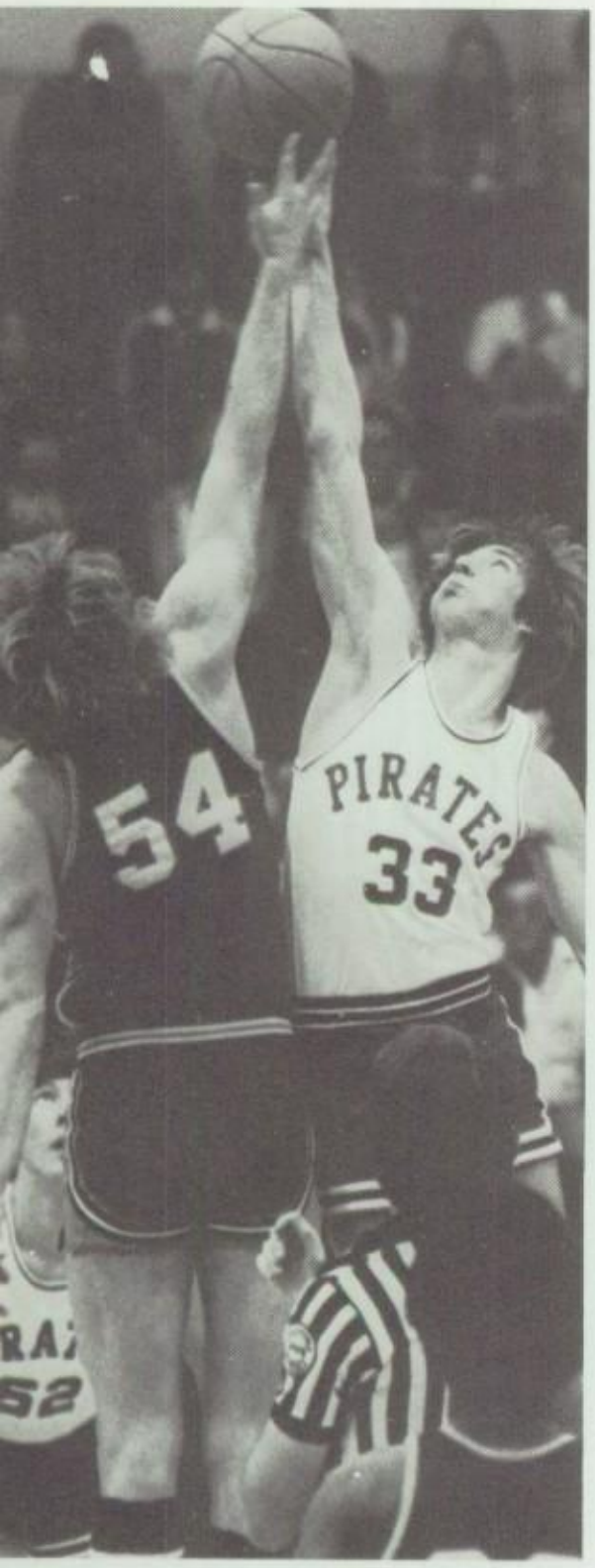
"The desire of our team gave us the confidence we needed to reach the regional tournament," said Gary Gray, senior.

Basketball has been a thrilling sport to watch this season. The Pirates won 12 and lost 10 during the year winning and losing close games to top ranked teams. The Pirates leading scorers were Senior Doug Stone and Junior Brad Biber.

Doug Stone averaged 16 points and 8 rebounds per game for a total of 363 points on the year and 152 rebounds. Although Brad Biber only averaged 3 rebounds per game he shot for an average of 12 points a game for a total of 279 points on the year. Rodney Hemphill a sophomore, jerked down an average of 9.8 rebounds per gam

"The seniors leadership rea boasted the team the second half the season," remarked senior Do Stone.

Senior Scott Adkins ran the off sive game frequently passing the b to his teammates for an easy t points.



Senior Doug Stone starts the game off with a controlled tip.

Junior Brad Biber and Sophomore Rodney Hemphill struggle for the rebound.

Senior Gary Gray passes the ball to the point man and breaks towards the goal.

Junior Rodney Hemphill muscles for the rebound while his teammates watch in amazement.

Seniors Key to Leadership

Seniors Terry Reed and Gary Gray had a certain knack for getting open for an easy lay up when the Pirates needed one. Mike Lum, senior, was an excellent relief man. Mike had an unstoppable jumpshot from the free throw line and excellent rebounding power. The Pirates' bench was always a factor in the games giving spirit and enthusiasm to the players on the floor.

"The Pirates team had nothing to be ashamed of considering the tough conference," stated senior Terry Reed.

Pirate Coach Nelson Davis thinks over the Pirates' offensive strategy.

Senior Scott Adkins fights off Arkoma opponent for their first win in the county Tournament.

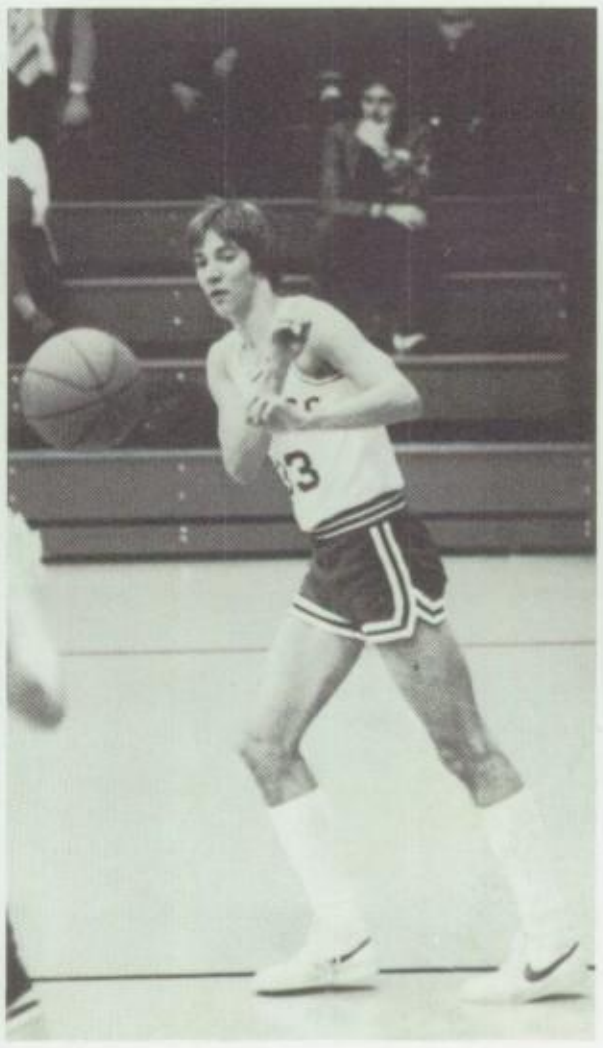
Pirate Basketball Scoreboard

PHS	VS	
47	Checotah	49
50	Muldrow	48
43	Sallisaw	63
	Eastern Tournament	
49	Wilburton	26
49	Muldrow	62
46	Holdenville	52
69	Roland	57
54	Stillwell	42
59	Spiro	67
70	Heavener	38
69	Stigler	39
	Checotah	46
	County Tournament	
62	Arkoma	49
51	Wister	35
26	Spiro	48
59	Roland	61
84	Stillwell	56
62	Spiro	52
60	Heavener	38
62	Sallisaw	46
62	Muldrow	63
67	Stigler	32
	District Tournament	
72	Heavener	33
60	Spiro	54
	Regional Tournament	
43	Roland	52
59	Vian	57
36	Muldrow	56

Pirates plan their strategy for the last few plays of the first period.

After pulling down a rebound Senior Doug Stone makes an outlet pass to Senior Scott Adkins.

Senior Scott Adkins makes a pass inside against Roland's defense.



Seniors Captain Doug Stone and Queen Susan Renfro smile during the Homecoming festivities.

Basketball royalty includes Queen Susan Renfro, escorted by team Captain Doug Stone, Maid of Honor Diana Wasson, escorted by Terry Reed, and Attendant Jane Davis escorted by Scott Adkins with Brad Davis, crown bearer and Kristi Barnes, flower girl.

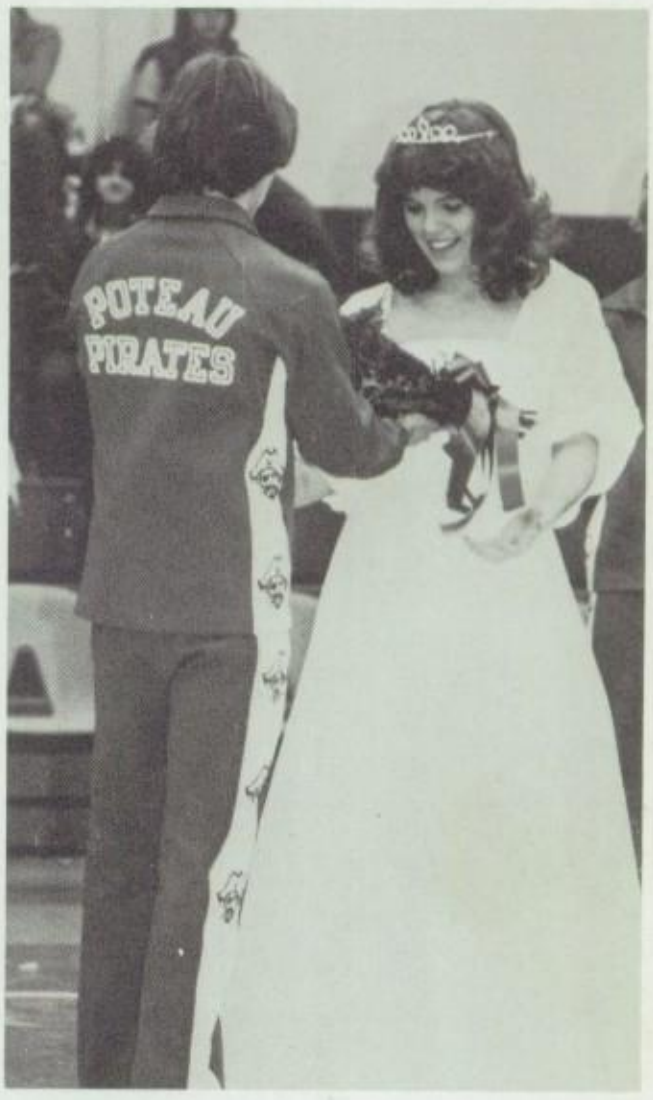
Attendant Alison McElhaney, Queen Shari Stover, Maid of Honor Julie Dedmon, pose after coronation with Trae Talley and Shad Stover.

Homecoming

on McElhaney, Shari Stover and Julie Ded-
n clown around during a break in homecom-
practice.

Jane Davis, Brad Davis, Susan Renfro, Kristi Barnes, and Diana Wasson enjoy the remainder of the boys' basketball game.

Wrestling Queen Shari Stover smiles as wrestling Captain Troy Talley hands her the traditional flowers.



Wrestling Royalty includes Queen Shari Stover escorted by Troy Talley, Maid of Honor Julie Dedmon escorted by Sean Stover and Alison McElhaney escorted by Everett Seagraves with Shad Stotter, crown bearer, and Trae Talley flower girl.

First Row: Kevin Ray, Ronnie Stoughton, Sean Stover, Troy Talley, Lynn Ervin. **Second Row:** Terry Manlove, Ed Corr, Eddit Medley, Mike Hunt, Jack Brown. **Third Row:** Brad Anderson, Andrew Sears, Tony Troutman, Rodn Mapes, Coach Mosley and Coach Hornbuckle

Wrestlers Best Yet

The 1980-81 season proved to the Pirate wrestlers best. Althou half of the team members are senio a lot of talent will be back for ne year.

The Pirate wrestlers started t season with impressive wins ov Eufaula and 9th ranked Stilwell.

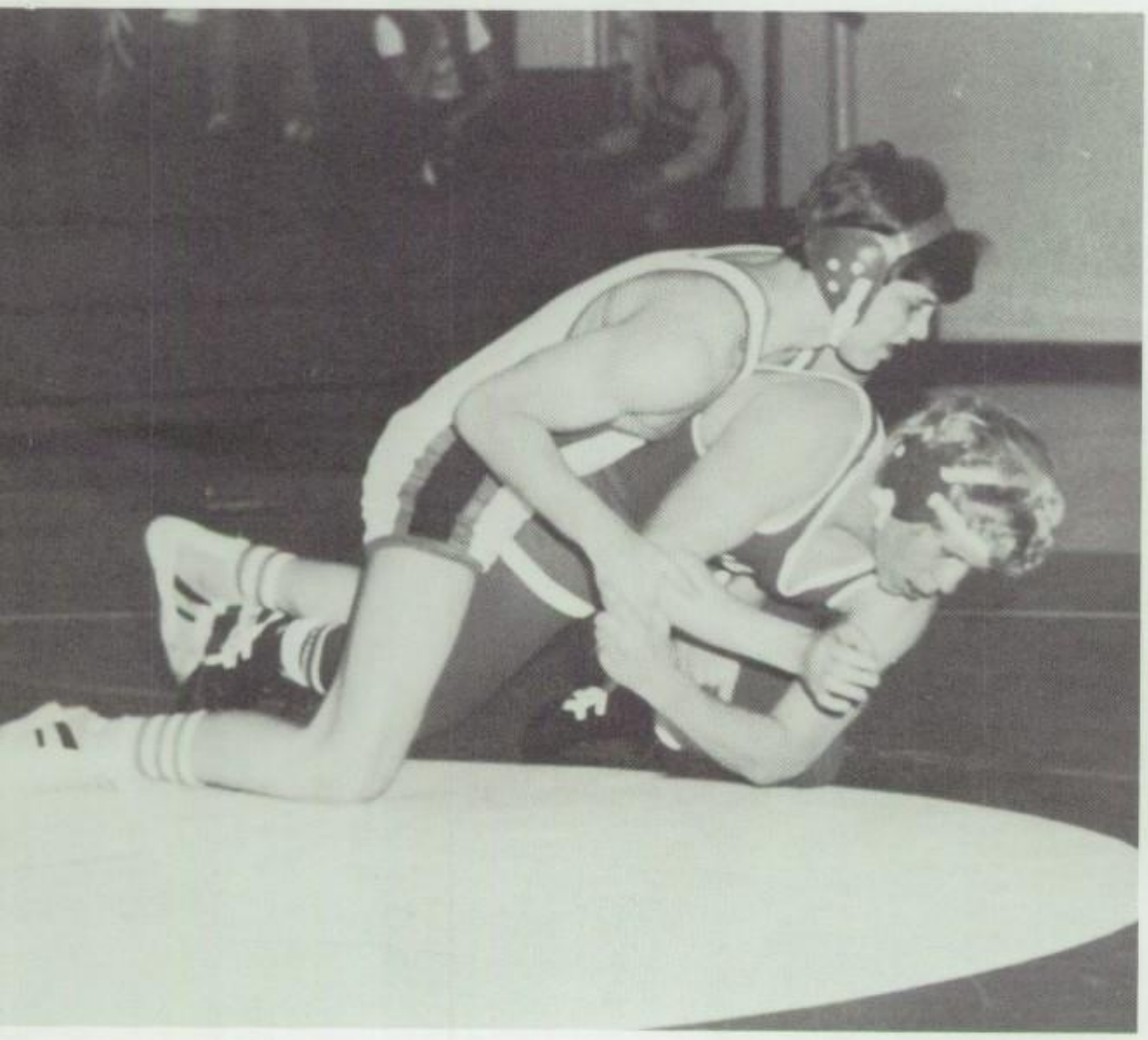
The team placed third at co ference with six members becomi all conference.

Three wrestlers, Troy Talle senior, Rodney Mapes, sophomor and Lynn Ervin, senior, went to stat Troy Talley was the only Pira wrestler to survive the quarter fina Talley was disqualified in the cha pionship finals at Norman and finis ed in second place.

Troy Talley, Brad Anderson, and Lynn Er discuss their chances at the state play-offs.

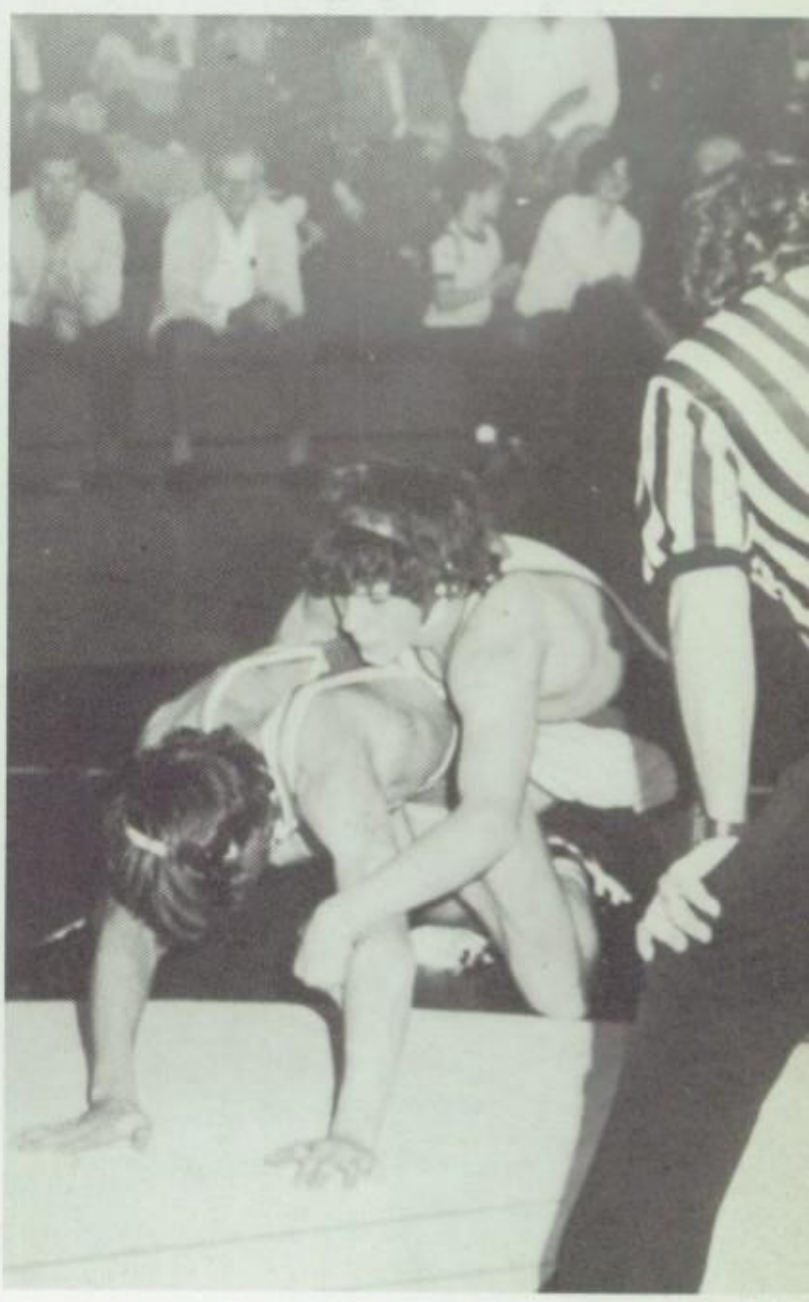
y Talley, Lynn Ervin, and Rodney Mapes
re the three wrestlers who went to the state play-offs.

Coaches Jack Hornbuckle and Kurt Mosley anticipate another win.



e Medley takes down his Wagoner oppo- for a win.

Jerry Ralls works for a pin on a Fort Gibson opponent.



Junior trackster Jerry Henderson strains to pull out in front of an opposing runner.

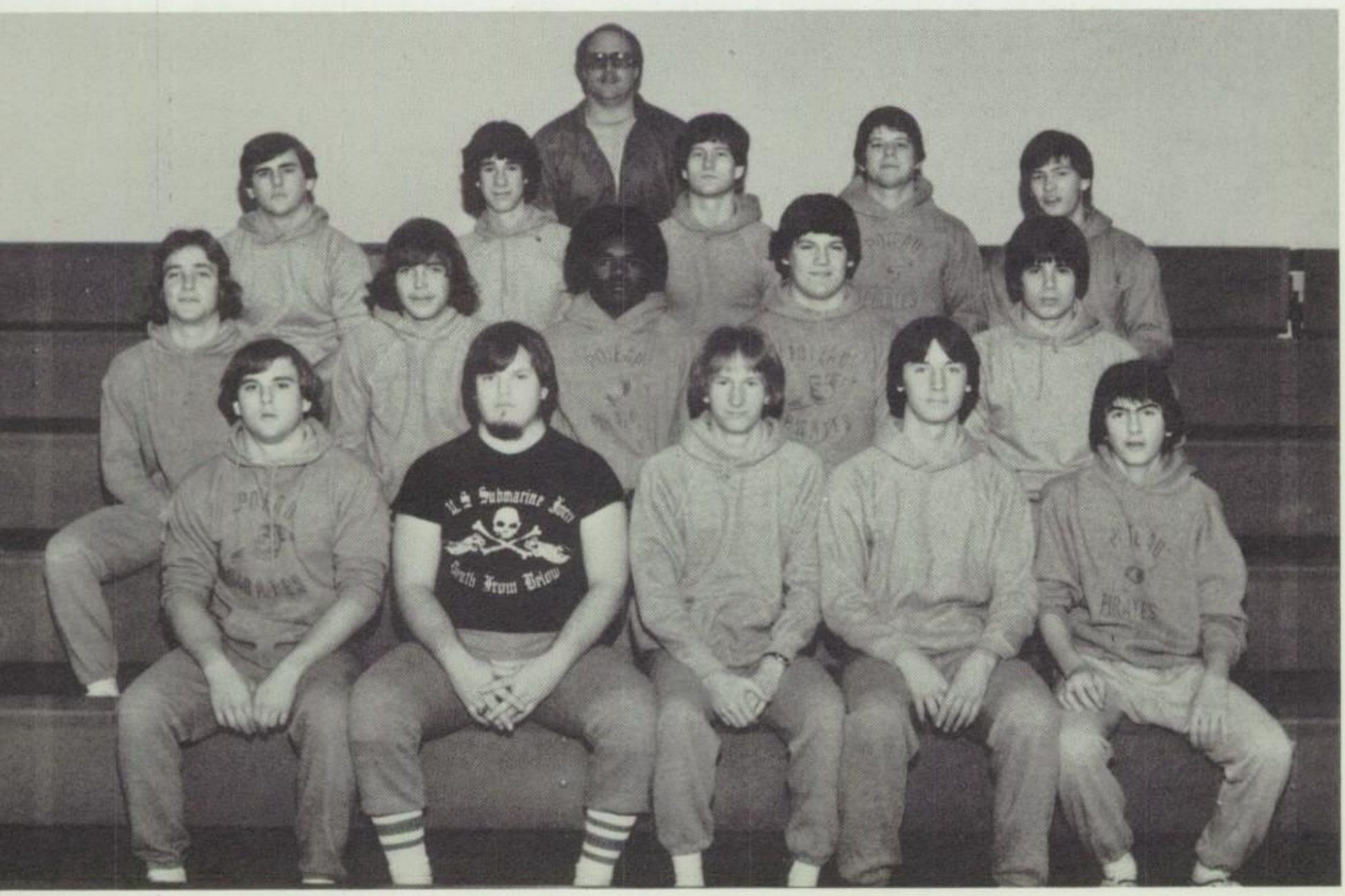
Sophomore Scott Wilderson hurdles for a win for Poteau.

ors Jerry Henderson, Teresa Hayes, and
k Riley enjoy themselves at a Wilburton
k meet.

Sophomores Darreen Burgess and Bart Plummer goof off during an away track meet.

Pirates Open Season With Slow Start

The beginning of the Priate boys Track season was off with a slow start. After being defeated by 4A class Tulsa Central, the Pirates went on to place 3rd in the Stigler meet. Finishing the season the Pirates came out with good marks, in the conference finals.



First Row: Dennis Rohrer, Tracy Ray, Bart Plummer, Darren Burgess, and Sterling Zerley. Second Row: Kelly Johnson, Mark Riley .Jerry Henderson, Donnie Bickford and Steven Hickman. Third Row: Shawn Rohrer, Mark Winters, Jerry Holton, Casey Fussell, and Chris Garland, with Coach Tom Strode.

Pirette Volleyball Team: First Row: Kaye McKenzie, Iva Thompson, Renee Greene, Dena Manis, Janice Nowakowski. Second Row: Susan Renfro, Janita Barber, Holly Hayes, Kim Oglivie, and Donna Smith.

Spring Sports

The softball team, coached by Jim Anderson, once again qualified for the Regional tournaments after defeating Heavener and Panama on their way to the District Championship. The Pirettes have been district champs three of the last four years.

"We had a young team which should be really good in the future," said Senior Renee Greene. Members of the softball team include Seniors: Kim Ogilvie, Renee Greene, Janita Barber, and Susan Renfro. Juniors, Tracy McConnell, Aileen McCoy, Sophomores: Dena Manis, Traci Coston, Darla Akins, Lisa McMillin.

The Volleyball team, also under the direction of Coach Anderson, finished their season with a loss to Fort Gibson in the District Semi-finals. "It's difficult to make a volleyball schedule because so few schools in this area have a team," commented senior Kim Ogilvie. Team members are: Seniors: Donna Smith, Holly Hayes, Renee Greene, Kim Ogilvie, Iva Thompson, Kaye McKenzie, Sophomores: Teresa Hinds, Diana Wasson, and Deanna Murray.

Pirette Softball Team: First Row: Renee Greene, Tracy Coston, Kelly Cauthron, and Dena Manis. Second Row: Susan Renfro, Janita Barber, Debbie Stanley, Kim Oglivie, Akins, Stacy Midby and Lisa Walker.

Pirettes Win Conference Meet Fifth Straight Year

The girls track team won the conference meet for the fifth straight year.

Nine Pirettes placed at regionals and went on to state. Jame Davis, Becky Ritter, Lisa Collier, Tracy McConnell, Lisa McMillan, Sharon Clayton, Julie Dedmon, Stacy Midby, and Jennifer Moore. Becky Ritter was the only Pirette to receive a medal for the 440 run.

Junior Trackster Tracy McConnell hurdles in first place at a Wilburton Track meet.

Juniors Teresa Hayes and Tracy McConnell show their happiness at winning the track meet.

Pirates Runners Up to District Champs

The Poteau Pirate baseball season was put in motion with wins over worthy opponents Broken Bow and Muldrow. After coming out of a four game losing streak, towards the middle of the season, the Pirates came out on top defeating Sallisaw, upsetting Leflore and pushing out District Champs Heavener. Finishing the season the Pirates went into District Playoffs. Defeating Panama in the first round, the Pirates then lost to the Heavener Wolves. This placed the Pirates as runner up to the District Championship Title.

Senior Center fielder Carl Brown makes a base hit during the District Playoffs.

Coach Free walks away after giving right fielder Ronnie Boss last minute instructions.

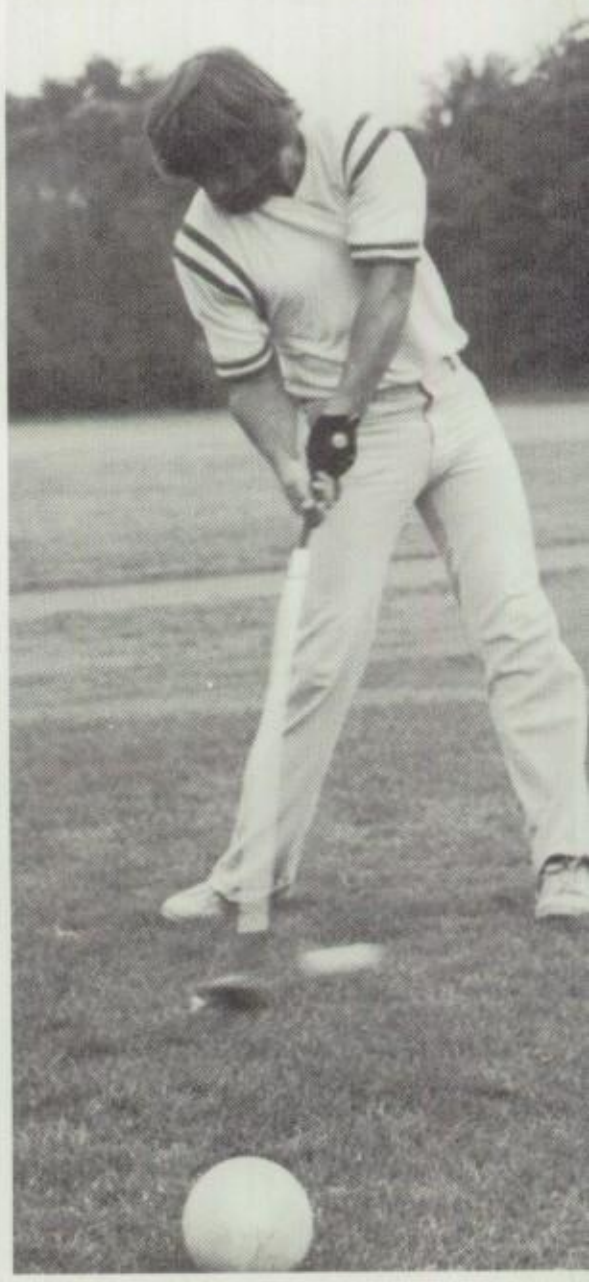
or left fielder Gary Gray rips a double dur- a Heavener game.

Junior catcher Mark Caldwell gets set for a pitch.

Seniors Carl Brown and Ed Corr struggle to get in position for a fly ball.

Golf Team End Season in Eighth Plac

The Poteau Pirate Golf Team ha good season. They won every ma they played including the Sequoy Golf Tournament. The team went regionals where they placed seco Mark Sullivan was the number medalist. Ronnie Burgess was third medalist. The team went Seminole where they came in eig place.



Senior Troy Talley smiles as he goes to practice.

Senior Jon Sullivan practices his shot for a coming match.

te Golf Team: Jim Holstead, Terry Ronnie Brugess, Cary Baetz and Troy Talley.
hlove, Mark Sullivan, Jon Sullivan,

Senior Ronnie Burgess tees off during a tournament.

Junior Mark Sullivan lines up for his next putt.

Janna Greene, Psyches herself up for one of the football halftime performances.

Sophomores Gina Chester, Belinda Billy, seniors Damita Davis and Annette Perry are satisfied with their performance as they watch the opposing band perform.

Taking a break after the 5 mile long Tulsa State Parade are Senior Damita Davis and Sophomore Belinda Billy.

That's Entertainment

Entertainment, variety and spirit, that is what the Poteau High School Band helped bring to the Students.

They cheered us up when we needed it they tried entertaining us when we needed entertainment, and they gave us a variety of songs.

It takes a lot of practice to make a song sound beautiful, and that is exactly what they did PRACTICE.

Many trips were taken throughout the year: The band went to Regionals Marching Contest at North-Eastern State University in Talhaquah, the twirlers went to State competition along with the flag Corps in Lawton. The Band also marched in the 5 mile long Tulsa State Fair Parade.

The Band marches at the Homecoming Parade at the Elementary School.

The Band members are cheering for team at one of the many football games.

1st row: Tracy Coston, Danita Manning, Damita Davis, Darla Akins, Gina Rodriquez, Danisha Bryant, Debby Stanley, Susanne Wasson, and Cindy Roberts 2nd: Pam Woltering, Amy Snapp, Krystal Russell, LaQuita Stevens, Ruth DelaRosa, Janet Throton, Janna Greene, Valerie Weaver, Debbie McElhaney, 3rd: Kristina Lindstrom, Richard Cooper, Preston Plumlee, Gina Chester, Annette Perry, Belinda Billy, Janet Combs, Suzanne Wise, Libby Searles, and Ann Lauck.

Members of the PHS Band: Donnie Hargrove, Bart Plummer, Darren Burgess, David Alexander, Lisa Rotz, Bobby Worley, Mike Hunt, Gary Killo
Billy King, Mary Winters, Robin Brown, James Hess, Eric Hill, Kevin Reidy, Kent Creighton, Lawrence Forrest, Frank Troutman, David Billy, Dav
Abrams, Russell Tanner.

PHS twirlers Michelle LaFevers and Joyce Tanner cheer on the Pirates.

PHS Marching band leads the way to victory.

Band Members sound out their spirit at a pep assembly.

Pirate, Lori Ross intently watches the Pirates drive for the goal line.

Band royalty attendant Belinda Billy, crown bearer Matt McBee, Queen Mary Beth Alexander, Maid of honor, Tara Holestead, and Terry Wells, get ready to make their half time appearance.

Feature twirler, Michelle LaFevers, performs one of her routines for the Poteau Pirate fans at one of the season's football games.

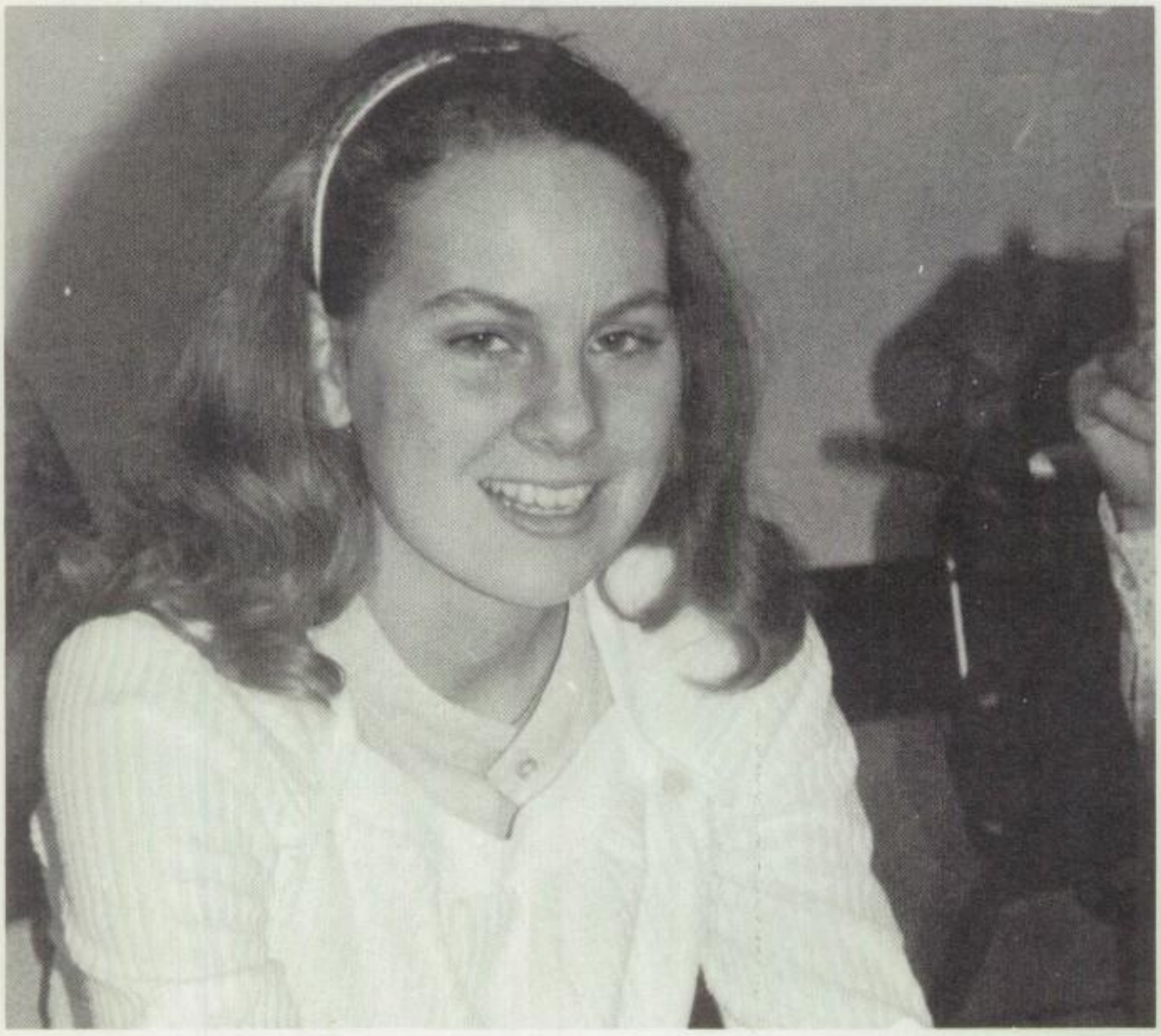
So On With the Show

The Chorus is one of the main sources of entertainment in any school, and the Poteau High School has proved this to be true. The Concerts and the Contest they had attended has helped them to improve as singers.

Singing song after song may not seem like hard work, but it is to get a song to sound as beautiful as it really is.

The Chorus traveled to many places during the year: to Northeastern State University for the Talhquah Music Festival to South Eastern State University for the All District Chorus to Edmund for the All District Tryouts and to Muskogee High School for Solo and Ensemble contest and also Chorus Contest where all three choirs received Superior ratings which qualified them to State Competition. "I think over all the Chorus did a great job even though we could have done better . . . I had an exciting year." says David Deaton, Senior Chorus member. The year was even more exciting for Janet Combs and Dena Mells for they made it into the All State Chorus. Under the direction of Mrs. JoAnn Abernathy, the chorus entertains us.

Mrs. Abernathy gives Leslie Hill, senior, one of the many awards she received in Chorus.



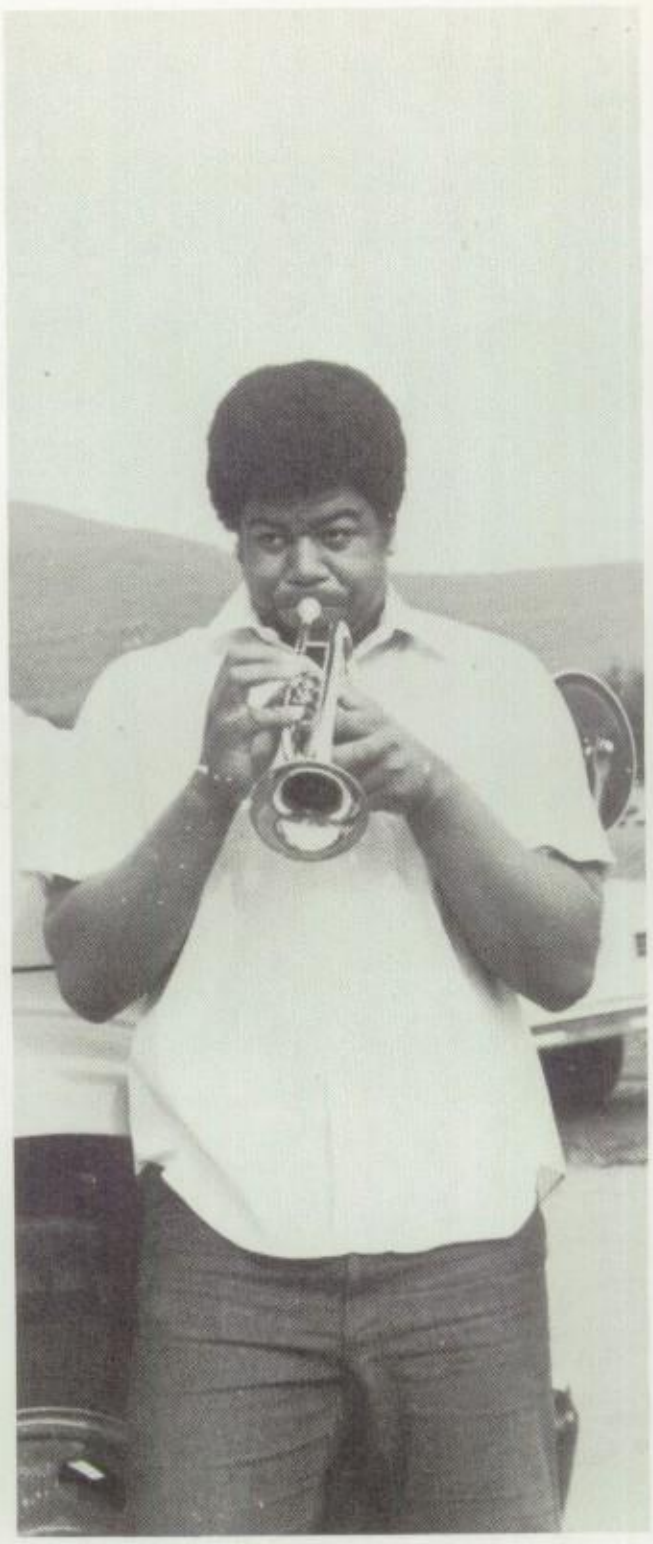
Sophomore Janet Combs relaxes in her Chorus class.

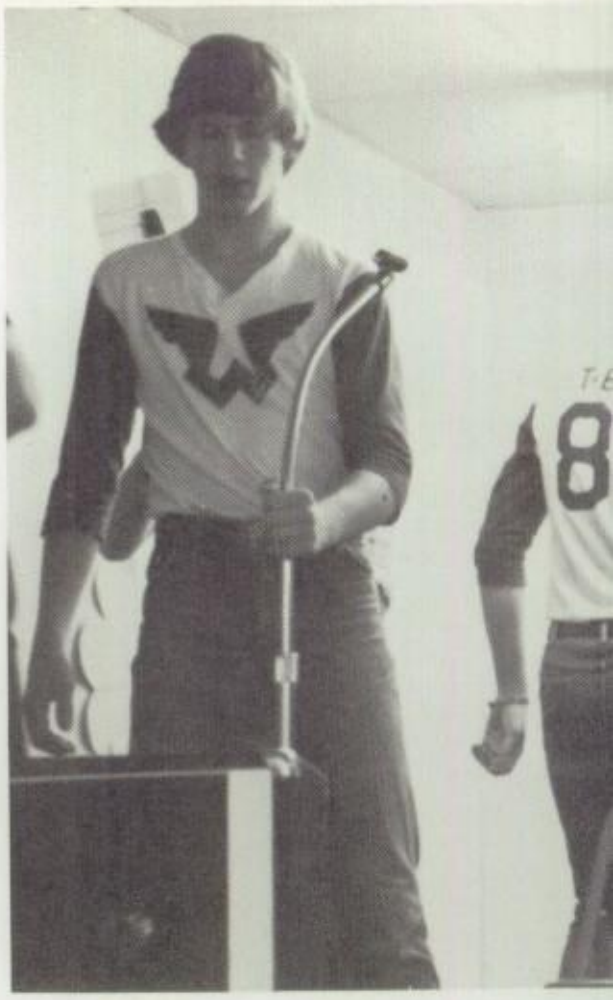
Members of the boys' chorus prepare for State Vocal Contest.

1st Row: Keven Ray, Kenneth Hancock, Donnie Bickford, Darren Cooper, and Jimmy Morris. 2nd: David Billy, Bobby Elliott, Tony Troutman, Dan Landher, Ricky Wann, David Deaton. 3rd Row: Roger Cravey, Eric Hill, and Preston Plumlee.

1st Row: Kevin Ray, Rhonda Nichols, Sherry Dedmon, Leslie Hill, Kay McKenzie, Robin Shaw and Mimmy Jorris. 2nd Row: Donnie Bickford, Dana McGrew, Stacey Roberts, Suzanne Wise, Damita Davis, Janice Nowakowski, Janet Combes, and Eric Hill. 3rd Row: Tony Troutman, Dean Mills, Jay Mixon, Lawerence Forrest, Dan Landers, David Billy, and David Deaton.

Sherry Dedmon, Rhonda Nichols, Janice Nowakowski, and Kaye McKenzie. 2nd Row: Lori Ross, Kathleen Couch, Dana McGrew, Karen Bickford, Damita Davis, Robin Shaw, Janet Combs, Tammy Lockhart, and Kim Ray. Row 3: Lela Trujillo, Ann Lauck, Stacey Roberts, Suzanne Wise, Leslie Hill, Laura Ervin, Belinda Billy, Sherrie Collins, Camilla Wellman, Deanna Chavez, Donna Truillo, Cindy Thompson, Beth Jenson, Diane Cross.





Lawrence Forrest blows his horn.

Jazz band, in concert at Keota, have a "blast."

Libby Searles, Eddy Wright, Ronnie Burgess, David Alexander, Amy Snapp, Eric Gallant, Donna Shrum, Dana McGrew, Sherry Dedmon, Chris Glover, Laurie Woodruff, Kent Creighton, Kaye McKenzie, Leslie Hill, Diane Gross, Kathleen Hilderbrand, Karen Bickford, David Billy, Roger Cravey, Lawrence Forrest.

Jazz band members, Eric Gallant, Libby Searles, and Danita Manning set up the stage for another concert.

Senior, Chris Glover and Laurie Woodruff practice for an upcoming concert with instructor Marshall Brence.

Jazz band members perform at Keota concert.

Jazz Band Adds Excitement

"I think Jazz band is fabulous. I can get into the music," commented Libby Searles, jazz band member. A jazz band and chorus was formed this year. Students met in their music theory class to learn the theory of music and to play and sing popular songs. The group performed at the basketball Homecoming, presented a concert and traveled to Jazz band contest. They also attended the jazz band music Festival in Tahlequah. "Jazz band was the best thing to come along. We got to play different instruments and the songs were more exciting," said Danita Manning.

Third hour music appreciation was a great experience for me. I learned many songs," stated Leslie Hill, jazz chorus member.

Marshall Brence directed the jazzband and the chorus was under the direction of JoAnne Abernathy.

A Year for New Beginnings

PHS Red Hot Peppers showed their spirit, at football games, at pep assemblies, in the halls, and in screaming matches with irate Moonpie members, who were after the spirit jug. These were just a few things that were survived by the PHS cheerleaders and pep club members.

This year a new method of choosing cheerleaders was put into effect. Instead of performing individually in front of judges, future PHS cheerleaders had to appear before the entire student body. Students voted for football, basketball and wrestling cheerleaders. This year was the last year for an organized pep club PHS.

A first for this year was th reorganization of the National Hon Society, sponsored by Mr. Lowe Hicks. These outstanding studen were chosen on the basis of gra average and character.

Cheerleader, Sally Watkins, and Michelle Cla cheer the Pirates to another victory.

Pep Club Members: Annette Armstrong, Shanna Higgins, Michelle Clark, Sally Watkins, Jane Davis, Julie Dedmon, Donna Chandler, Lori Ross, Deanna Chavez, Donna Trujillo, Trayce Kerbow, Theresa Midgley, Kim Ray, Denise Valdez, Cindy Thompson, Debra Myers, Lela Trujillo, Natalie Qualls, Diane Cross, Karen Bickford, Robin Shaw, Dana McGrew, Sherry Collins, Mary Jo Gullick, Cindy Wofford, Julie Franklin, Leslie Hill, Donna Shrum, Shari Stover, Tina Collins, Tammy Lockhart.

Honor society members, Kaye McKenzie and Les Hill compare notes on a class project.

Honor Society Members: Sean Stover, Rhonda Nichols, Janna Greene, Renee Greene, Lynn Ervin, Steve Hickman, Kim Ogilvie, Sandra Lum, Leslie Hill, Kaye McKenzie, Donna Shrum, Dean Mills.

Donna Chandler, Lori Ross, and Michelle Clark admire their creativity on the traditional wolf grave.

Cheerleaders: Annette Armstrong, Michelle Clark, and Donna Chandler stir up spirit at a Friday afternoon pep assembly.

Deadlines to Meet

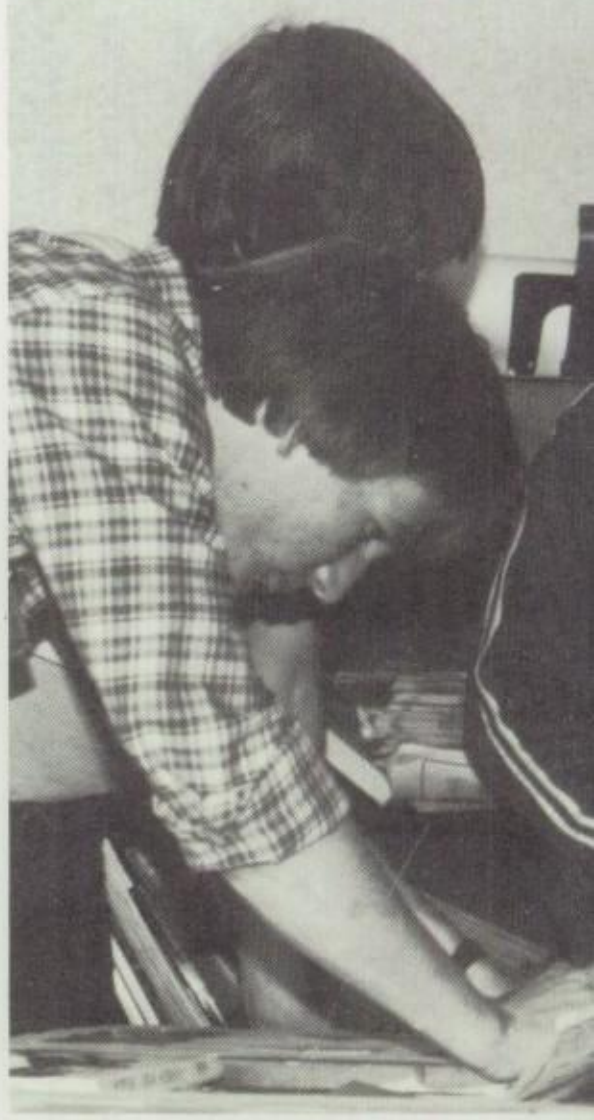
Publications, for some people it meant writing copy, taking pictures, or drawing lay-outs; for others it meant developing pictures, writing cutlines, or cropping pictures. Whatever the word means, it meant work, and this is what some of the yearbook and Newspaper staffs did — work. The staff members covered Campus and Community events as well as polled the students on the school, community, and national issues.

Deadlines came and went but were nearly always met.

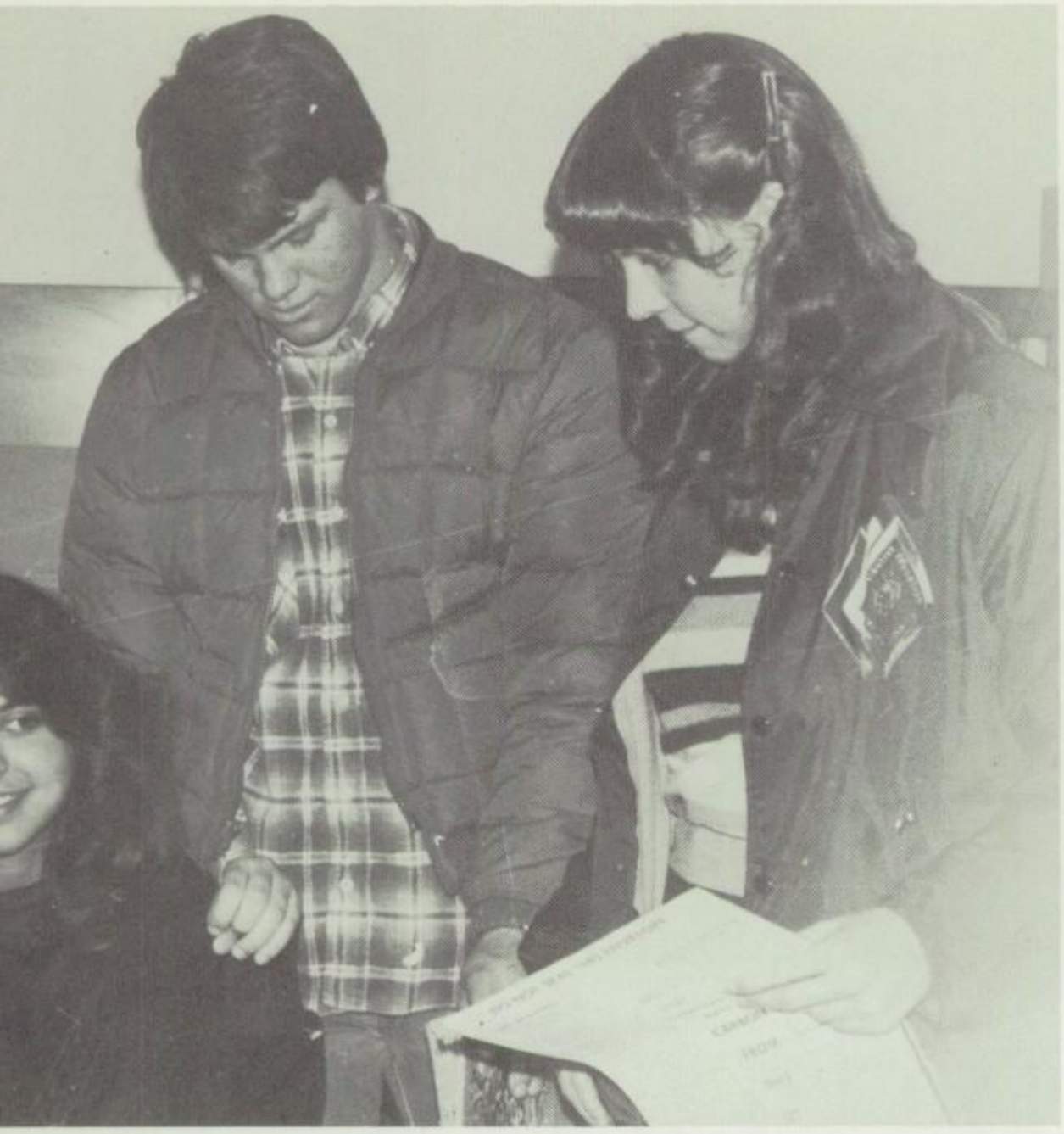
"The staffs worked hard, but sometimes it seemed like we couldn't accomplish anything. Eventually, though, everyone did their job very well," quoted Kim Ogilvie, editor of the Potonian staff.

Many worked throughout the year on both staffs. This was to help them find new ideas and help improve the yearbooks and Newspapers to come.

Jr. Michelle Clark, Debra Myers, Sr. Paul Wilson and Sr. Patricia Ritter are putting the final touches to one of the pages of the yearbook.

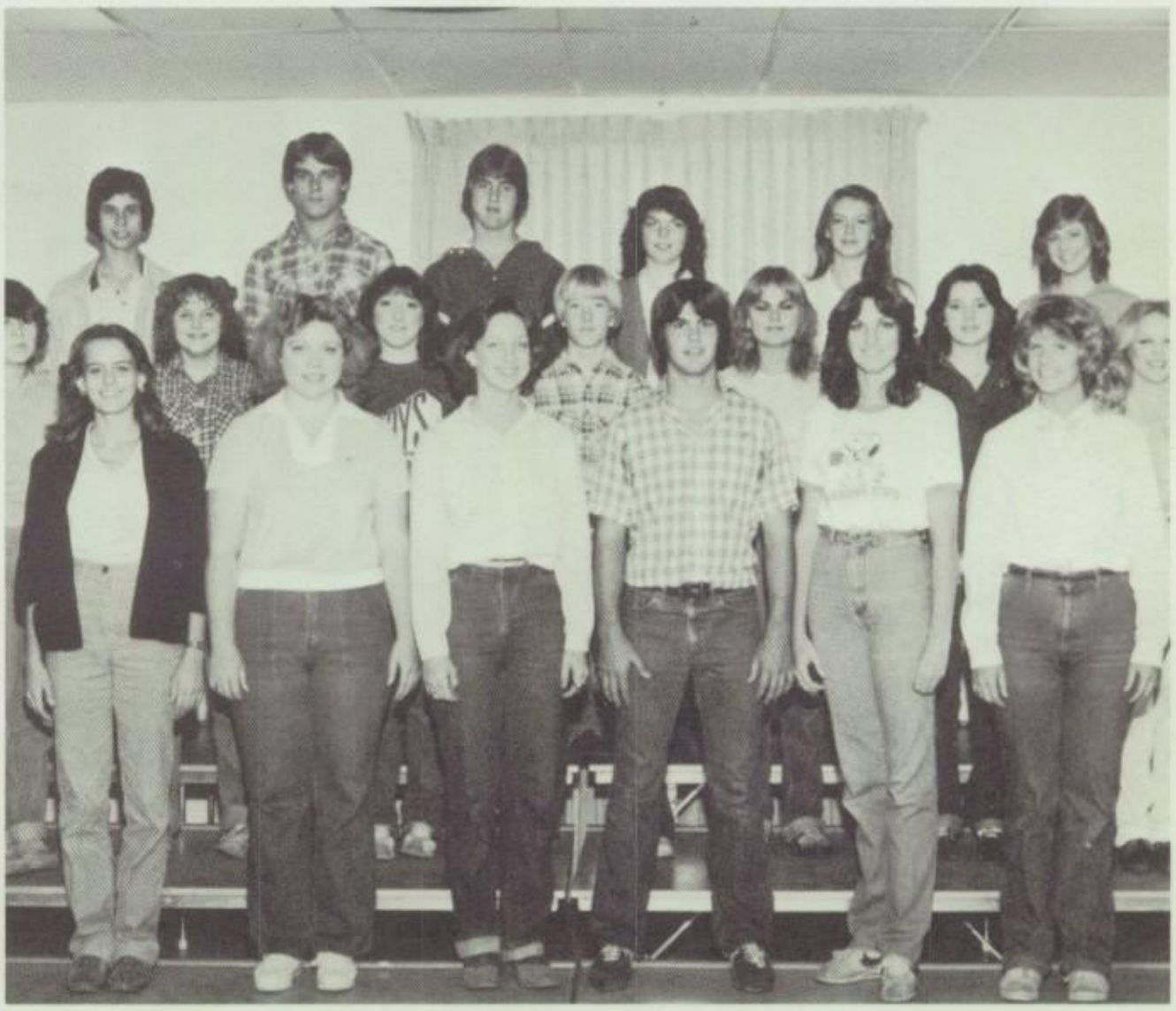


Row 1: Teresa Midgley, Trayce Kerbow, David Alexander, Debra Myers, Donna Smith, Lynn Collier. Row 2: Natalie Qaulls, Kim Ogilivie, Coni Barney, Tracy McConnell, David Deaton, Particia Ritter, Michelle Clark. Row 3: Kay Caldwell, Sherr Stover, Dane Field, Royce Qualls, Cary Baetz, Shelly Jones, Linda Brown.



Making corrections of a final is Sr. Kim Ogilvie, the editor of the yearbook.

oph. Bart Plummer, Darren Burgess, and r. Holly Hayes and Janice Nowakowski ork on newspaper layouts.



Kerri Moon, Kaye McKenzie, Kim Ogilvie, Mark Sullivan, Coni Barney, Holly Hayes.

Lori Collins, Trisha Talley, Janice Nowakowski, David Alexander, Lori Ross, Debbie Clouth, Renee Stottbery, Royce Qualls, Stacy Fox, Cary Baetz, Shelly Jones, Tonya Gray.

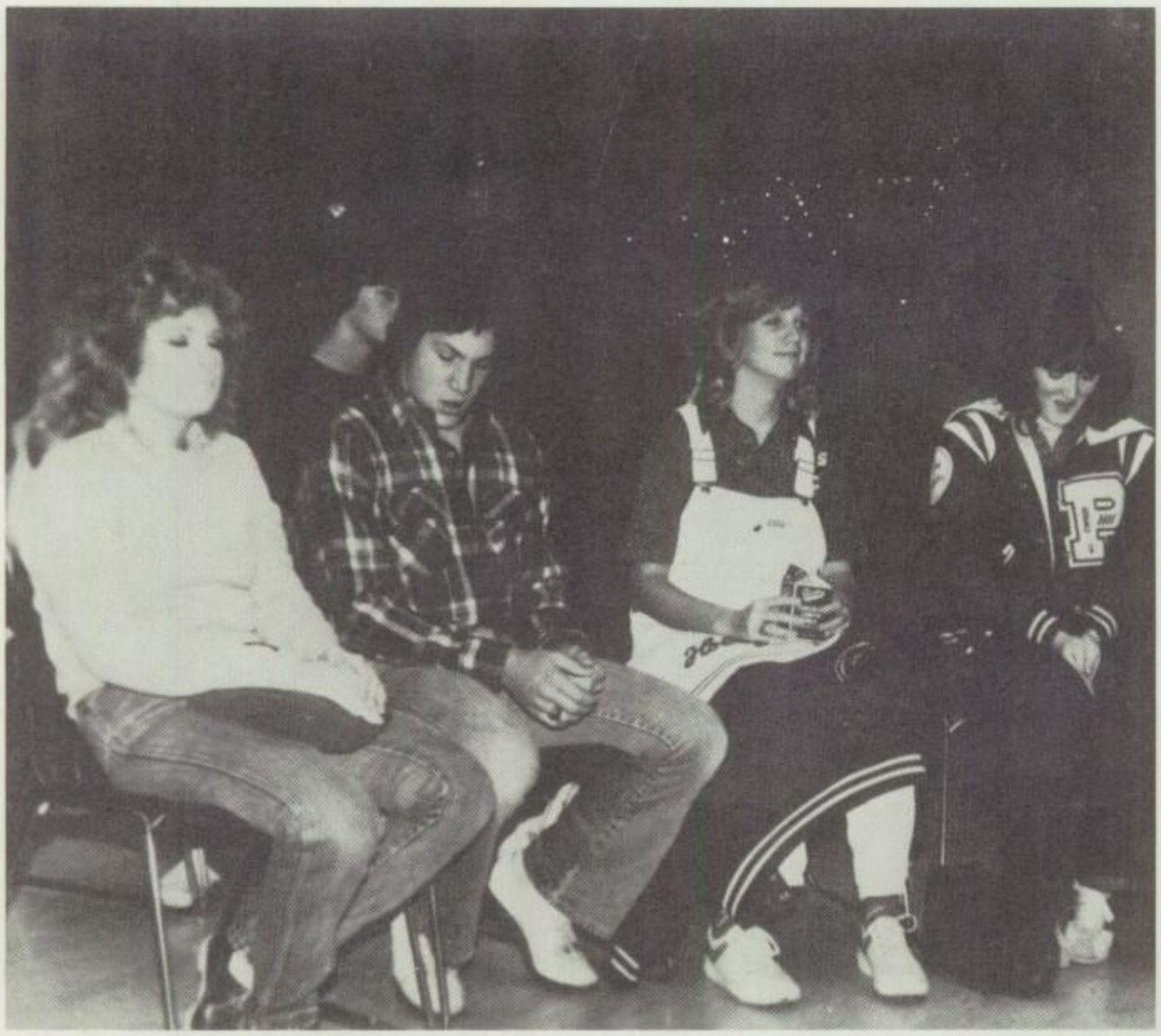
First Row: Leslie Hill, Janice Nowakowski, Sally Watkins, Sterling Zearly, Holly Hayes, Bill Woodruff, Michelle Clark. Second Row: Mark Sullivan, Tracy McConnell, Shanna Higgins, Julie Dedmon, Chris Garland, Darren Burgess, Mark Winters, Coni Barney.

The Servers

The student council is filled wit many intelligently smart student who came up with good ideas o how to run the school and to im prove the condition. They spon sored a Talent variety show whic was performed to the Student bod and went over very well.

The year had changes and th council took those changes.

Sponsored by Mr. Wise, th council had a great year.



Student Council members at one of the many meetings the council had. Sr. Janice Nowakowski gives her opinion at one of the many meetings.

Producing Stars

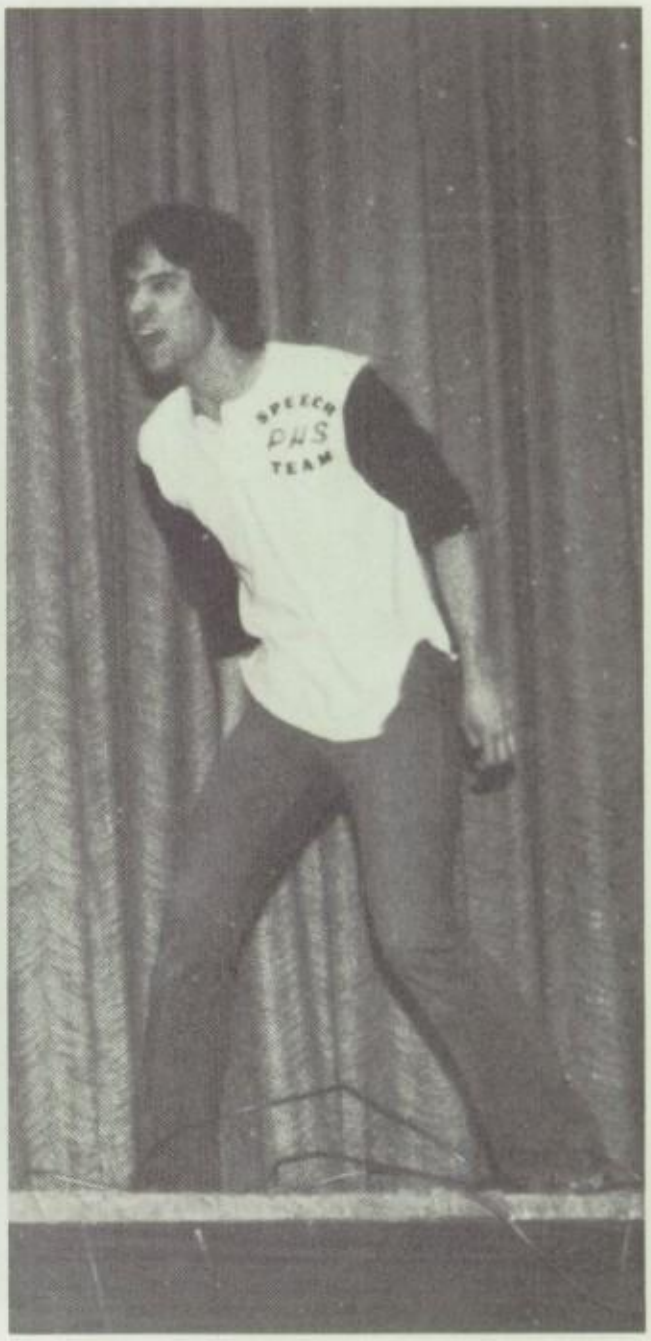
The Thespian Troup is filled with young talented performers. They produced two plays during the year, including "Caged Birds", a one act play performed to certain classes and taken to one act play contest in Henryetta. "The Very Great Grandson of Sherlock Holmes", a full length play performed for the school and the public.

Thespian members make up the Advance Speech team, which attended five tournaments throughout the year. Robin Shaw and Ann Lauck qualified for regional and State competition.

"Acting is part of my life," said Robin Shaw. I want to make my career in the Dramatic field. Norma Smith, Language Arts teacher, is the director of the thespian group.

First Row: Kim Ray, Robin Shaw, Tammy Yandell, Janice Nowakowski, Rhonda Nichols, Damita Davis. Second Row: Risa Siler, Kay McKenzie, Donna Johnston, Leslie Hill, Donna Shrum, Ann Lauck, and Lynn Collier. Third Row: Dennis Atkins, John Edwards, Mark Hole.

Members of the play are in a "line up" that Sherwood Holmes has called.



Senior David Deaton expresses his emotion to a large crowd at the talent show sponsored by the Student Council.

FHA Members: Natalie Qualls, Libby Searls, Debra Myers, Sally Watkins, Debra Clough, Gina LaRosa, Tammy Peck, Charlotte McCrosley, T
Lenard, Dena Hornback, Janna Fox, Christa Russell, Gwen Burk, Mary Francis, Tina Christenberry, Liz Clay, Beth Larimore, Darla Shrum,
LeMasters, Tonya Gray, Brenda Duncan, Christina Burton.

Jr. Debra Clough enjoys herself at the State FHA convention in Okla. City.

Soph. Gerri Calhoun expresses excitement over interesting sites at Okla. City.

Jr. Brenda Duncan prepares for convention.

FHA member loiter in front of the Restaurant Molly Murphies.

Jr. FFA member, Marcus Callahan, hogs the show.

Futures for Men and Women

The Future Farmers of America and the Future Homemakers of America provided many students with a practical beginning in life. For instance, their ever-popular initiations taught sophomores to beware of upperclass men officials, who were out to make their lives miserable during hellweek and other various occasions. FHA members sold candy and sponsored the Sadie Hawkins dance to support their annual habit of going to the Okla. City convention. All these activities were supervised by Mrs. Sharon Simmons, FHA sponsor. "Eating at Molly Murphies and shopping at the Cross Roads Mall is what made the day for me, during convention time," replied FHA president, Natalie Qualls. Eastern Okla. is an agricultural area, producing all kinds of crops and livestock, FFA members learned all the modern farming methods, under the direction of Larry (Doc) Watson, FFA sponsor. "It's different than my other classes. I especially like working with my show calf and competing in judging contests," stated Debbie Urchison, FFA member. Together FHA and FFA help to make a better future for the Okla. youth of tomorrow.

niors, Mark Miller and Jason Callahan crash out the FFA homecoming float.

Jr. Blake Longenbaugh enters his pig in the Wister live stock show.

A Members: Junior Crase, David Baker, Jason Bowls, Elaine Perry, Todd Peters, Jeff Jenson, Mark Caldwell, Jerry Johnson, Steve Clay, Damen own, Debbie Urchison, Joyce Dewillis, Jason Callahan, Michelle Clark, David Easley, Richard Cooper, Vergil Worley, Bret Tustin, Blake Longenugh, Brandy Baxter, Janes Ray, Lamar Forest, Russell Tanner, Donna Shrum, Steve Hickman, Gary Cooper, Greg Francis, Allen Tallbert, Joe orlery, Bobby Worlery, Bradley Skinner, Jeff Branch, Phillip Costell, Von Smith, Gar Kent, Rick Humpheries, Co Hill, Mark Miller, Kevin Rogers, ve Smedley, Mike Lum, Dale Mize, Tim Willson, Steve Mize, Rickey Wann, Jeff Jackson, Marvin Hornback, Stanley Jenkins.

Vo-Tech Offers Technical Instruction

Money makes the world go around. This is the general philosophy of most P.H.S. students caught in the never ending inflation crunch. Well, high school students involved in DECA, Distributive Education Clubs of America, and VICA, Vocational Industries of America, learn all about the importance of earning an American dollar. Classes offered at the Vo-Tech school provided practical instructions for students to gain skills that will aid them in their future working field. "I want to become a certified welder, and the experience gained from two years of welding classes will be a lot of help," replied Marcus Callahan. Keith Moon added his idea of the VICA program. "It teaches us different things rather than the old stuff that is learned at school." "I like it because you can go at your own speed, which for me means all year," an anonymous student slowly stated.

Jr. Teresa Hayes gets her hair styled as part of a good grooming lesson.

Sr. Alan Collins and Sterling Zerly and Jr. Melissa Weaver and Brenda Duncan eat lunch with state Deca president at Walt's during Deca Week.

Jr. Debbie Waldon gets a manicure during DECA's good grooming week, while other students, Sandy Dunning and Joyce Tanner look on.

Denise Schmidt, Sterling Zearly and Brenda Duncan dress for Jr. High during DECA week.

VICA Students: Bruce Thompson, Marcus Callahan, Bill Kerschner, Mike Crossland, Richard Newby, Donny Awtrey, Jack Armstrong.

DECA Students: Bill Woodruff, Keith Baker, Johnny Shepard, Alan Collins, Melissa Weaver, Teresa Hayes, Brenda Duncan, Teena Lenard.

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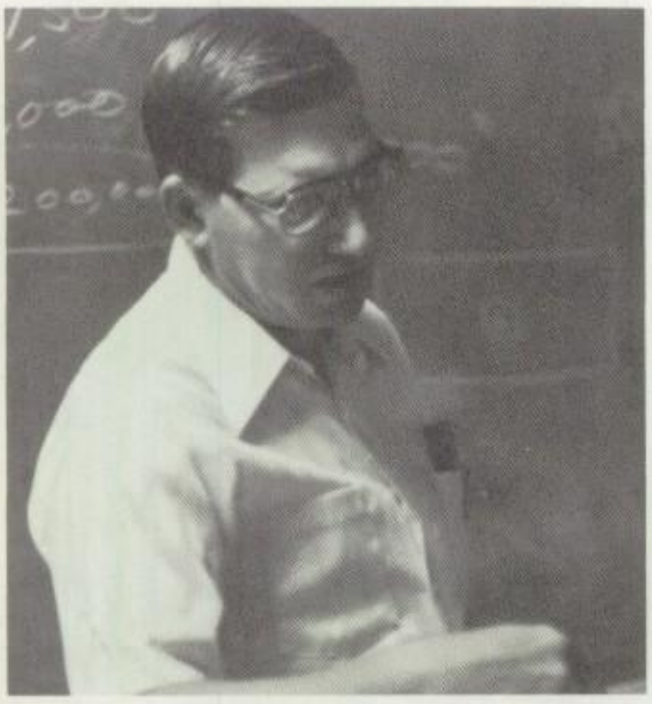
Mr. Hughes, Biology instructor, explains the next class assignment.

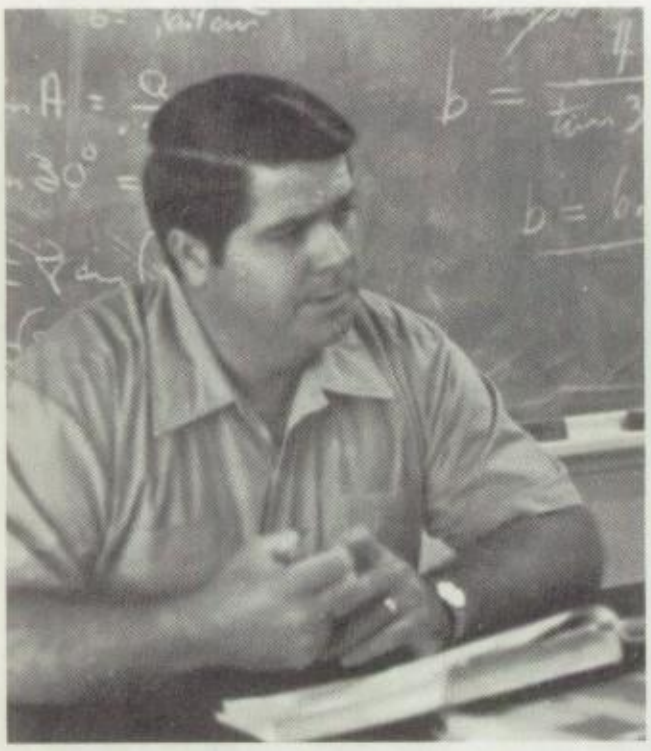


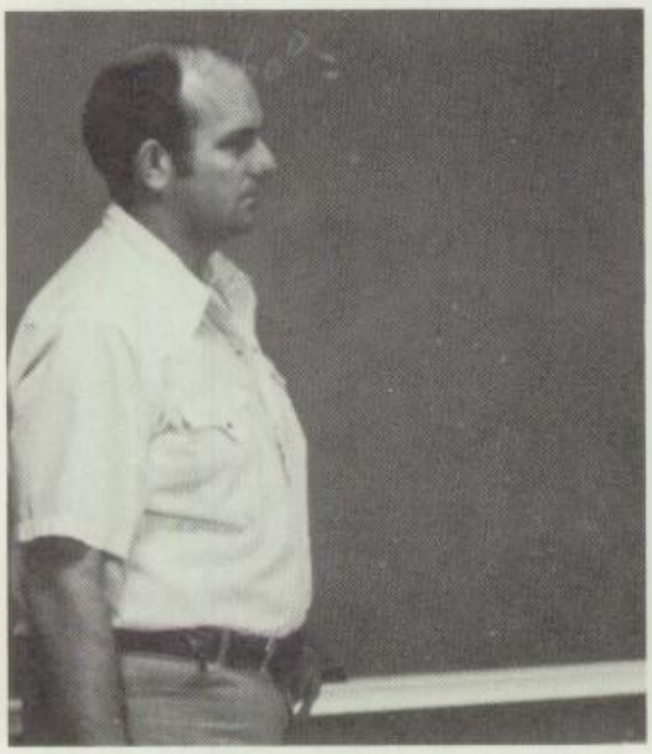
Physics teacher, Mr. Ward patiently explains the homework problems.

Science is a blast

Blowing up the Chemistry lab, reviving the CPR dummy, disecting helpless animals, these are just a few activities PHS science students were involved in this year. Mr. Kelly Hughes is in charge of instructing students in mutilating dead corpses in his biology I and II classes. Mr. Jim Ward, science club sponsor, teaches physics and biology, while Mr. Lowell Hicks teaches chemistry and several math classes.

Our science department is headed for a change in the future. The addition to the west end of the building will house the entire science department, including a laboratory with completely new equipment. Students will have a better environment in which to experiment with the things they have learned from their textbooks.





Mr. Hicks instructs students in the fundamentals of trigonometry.

Sophomore Darren Burgess experiments with heated chemicals in Chemistry I lab.

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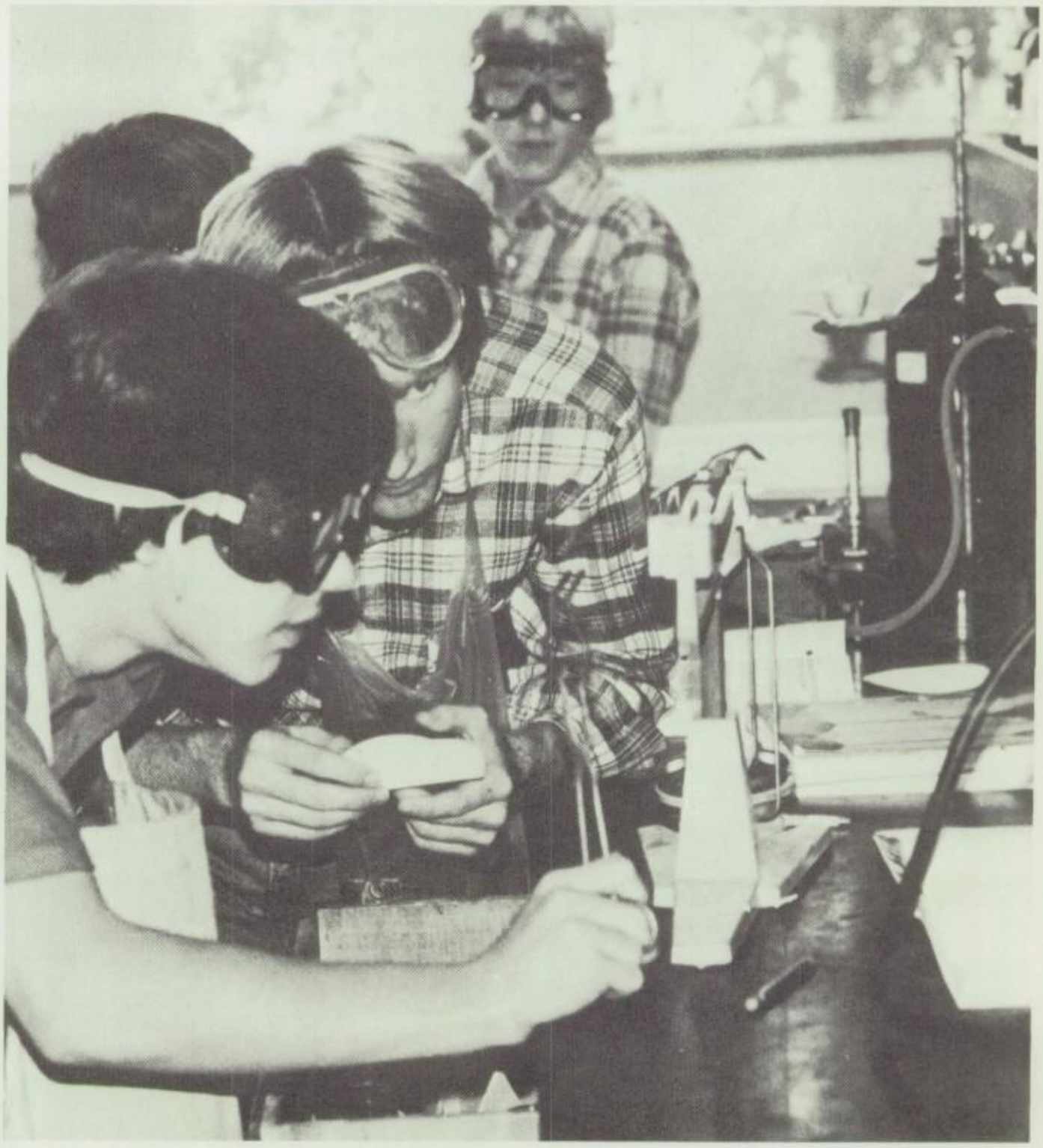


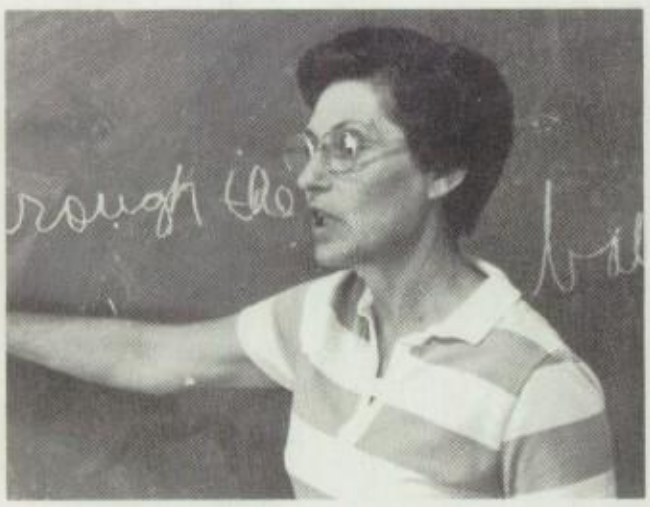
Junior David Alexander looks on as Bart Plummer and Mark Winters conduct a chemistry experiment.

Students Learn to Live With It

Mrs. Almon proofreads the final copy for the school newspaper.

Miss Wells grins at a wisecrack made by a student in her literature class.

Mrs. Smith spends time after school grading papers.



Mrs. Bratton discusses grammar rules with her class.

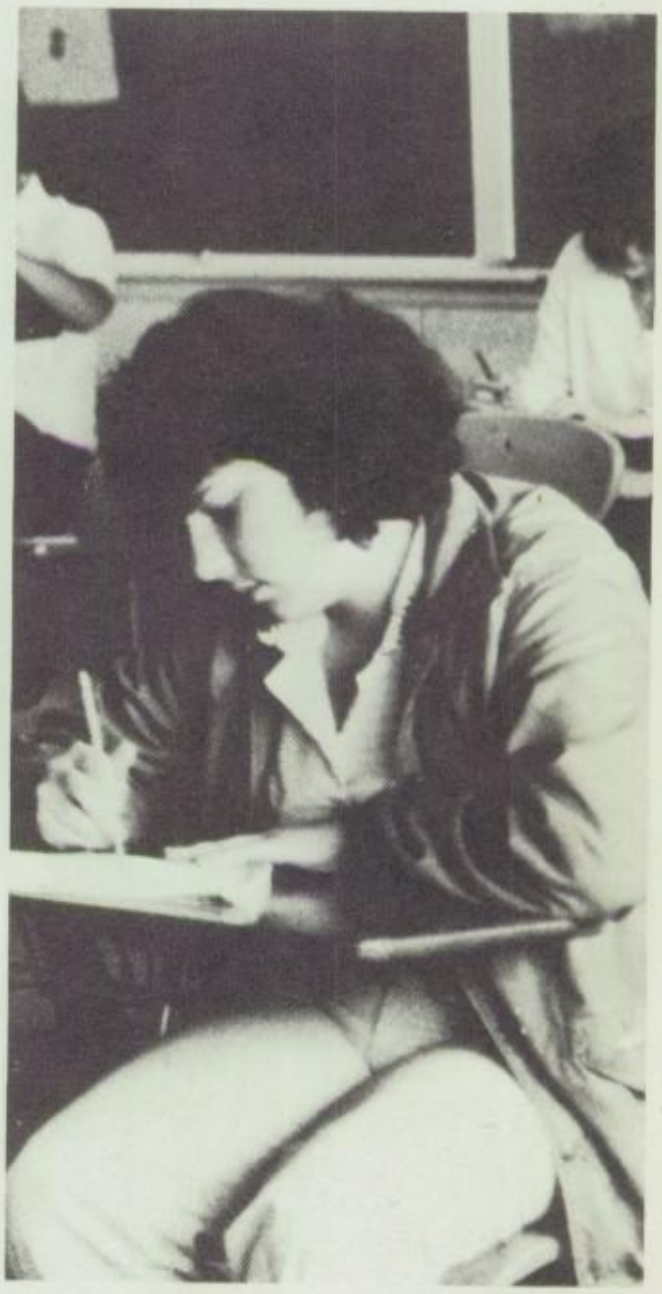
With English being required every year, most PHS students learn to live with it. The English department provides students with 9-week courses of varied English arts, ample homework and a better understanding of the English language in general. College-bound students found themselves knowing the agonizing reality of term papers in Comp. IV. taught by Miss Terry Wells. Miss Wells also sponsored the pep club and cheerleaders. "Write it over, and hurry, there's a deadline to meet!" was often heard by many students in publication classes, taught by Mrs. Debbie Almon, Advisor to the Pirate log and Potonian staffs. Mrs. Genelle Bratton instructs classes in Comp. II, vocabulary development, mythology, Hero's in Athletics and also doubles as spohomore sponsor "enjoy teaching English or I wouldn be doing it," sums up Mrs. Bratton feelings about her classes.

PHS students find out the basics speech and drama, taught by Mr Norma Smith, thespian sponsor. "believe that most vital ingredient f understanding in the world is comm nications. Because English is def nitely part of communication, my jo excites me, frustrates me, and neve ends," Mrs. Smith sighed. Mr. Ga Haskins, who took over Miss Wel classes at midterm stated that his job "challenging, confusing, hectic an hopefully rewarding."

Sophomores Amy Snapp, Diana Wasson, a Valerie Weaver prepare for a test.

Senior, Ronnie Burgess seems uninterested in Mrs. Bratton's assignment.

Sophomore, Robin Evans creates compositions in Comp. II.



PHS students try to keep English undistracted by the upcoming Christmas holidays.

English teacher, Mr. Haskins prepares for his next class.

Business Class Forms FEA

Mrs. Couri looks over the new textbooks to be used in her classes.

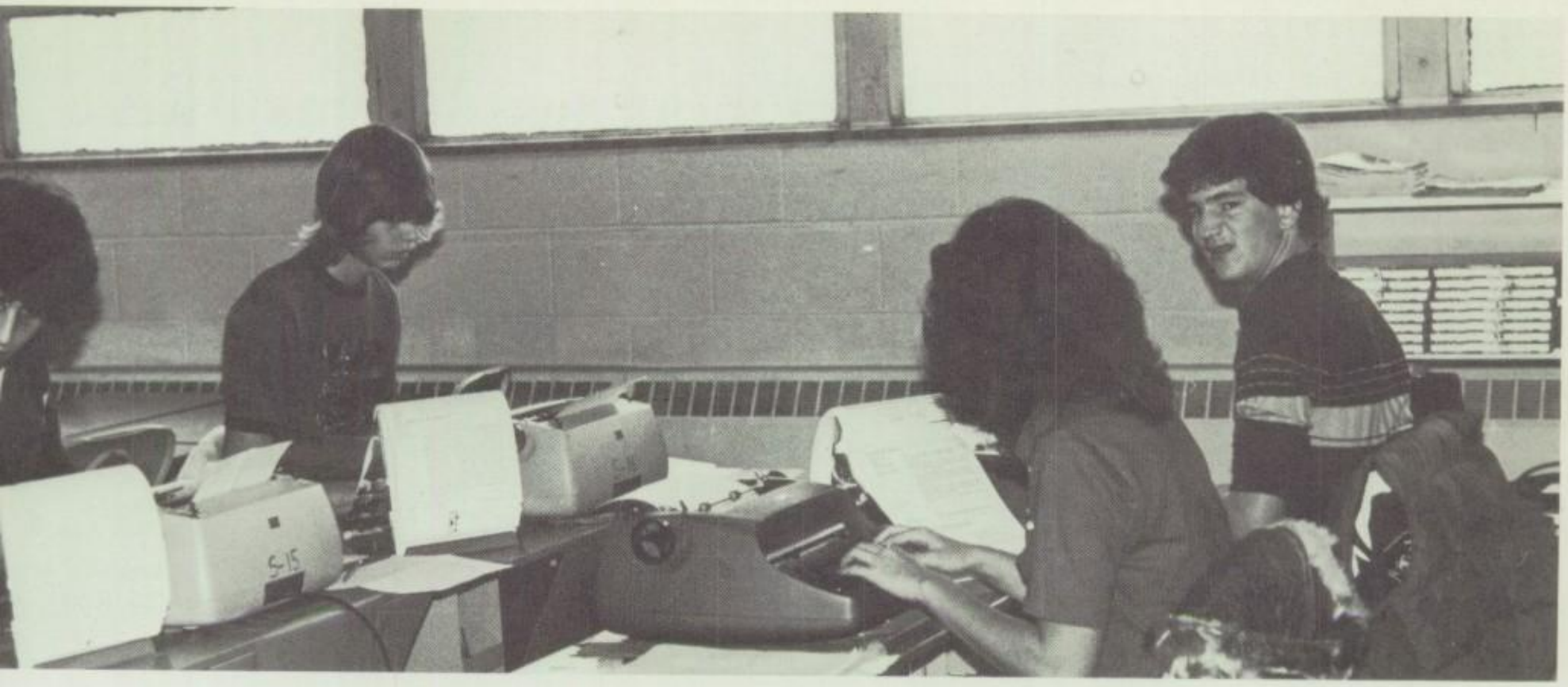
PHS students find out how the business world operates through courses such as typing, shorthand, accounting, and general business. Mrs. Pat Couri instructs future accountants and possible embezzlers, life time members of the FEA, in her accounting class. FEA, Future Embezzlers of America, was founded by the 5th hour accounting class one boring day, in the midst of endless hours of classwork in the hope that there must be a better way of balancing the books.

In Mrs. Couri's typing classes, students experience the joy of learning the hunt and peck method, as opposed to developing writer's cramp. "I took it because my hours were empty," commented Lisa Shankle. About the importance of PHS business courses "God only knows," sighed Deborah Turner.

Mrs. Suzanne Ritter takes charge of teaching students how to handle everyday business transactions in her general business class. In her shorthand class, students have the opportunity to perfect the art of doodling.

Astonishing results are achieved in Mrs. Ritter's general business class. Soph. Gerri Calhoun and Jr. Denna Killion work diligently at learning to hunt and peck.

Seniors, Linda Peerson, Diane Cross, Susan Renfro, and Iva Thompson scribble the facts of shorthand.



Clayton Phipps, Preston Plumlee, and Julie Dedmon sneer at the job of finishing their typing assignment.

Seniors, Damita Davis and Sandra Lum take dictation in beginning shorthand.

Junior, Michelle Clark concentrates on a typing project.

Honeymoon will have to wait

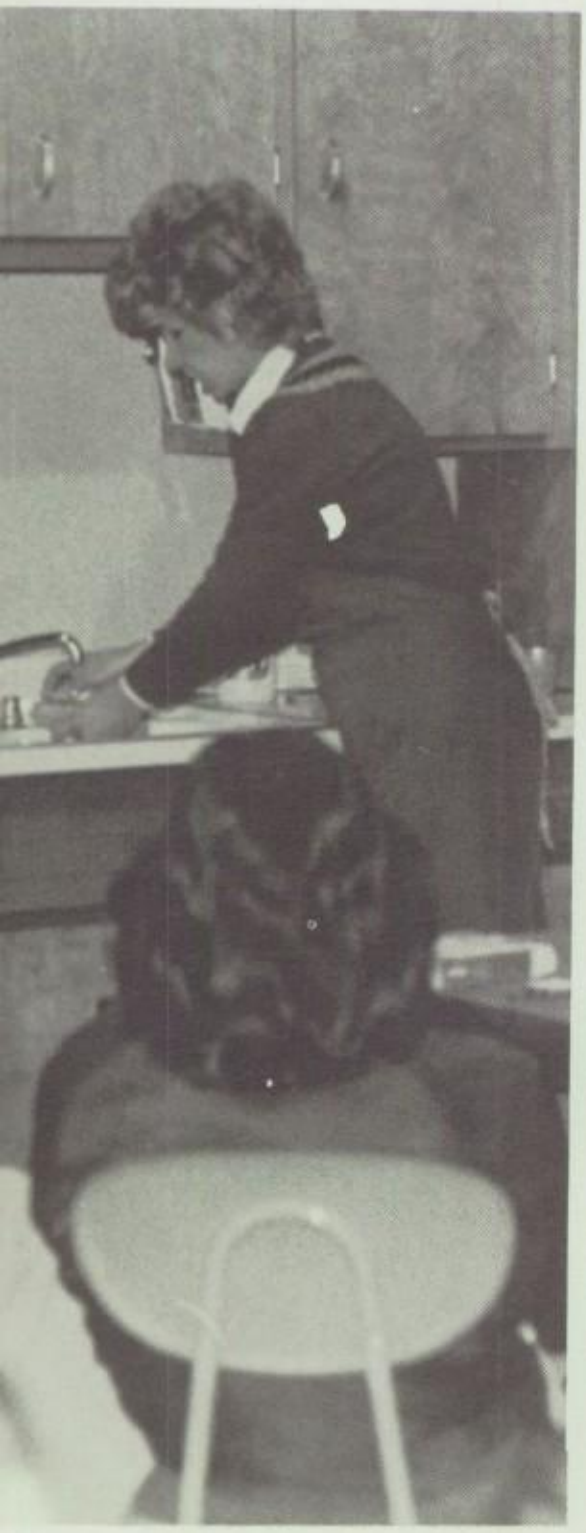
Mrs. Simmons reviews her home ec. class for a test.

Home Economic classes help teach the typical PHS student how to survive life after graduation. Cooking an edible, meal, budgeting the family household funds, and learning the basic aspects of married life including taking out the garbage, are all emphasized. These fundamentals are supervised by Home Ec. and Family Living teacher, Mrs. Sharon Simmons. "Teaching topics that are relevent and practical and giving the students knowledge and skills that they can relate to now and in the future," is what is strived for in all Mrs. Simmon's classes. Family living students exhibit some of the talents they have learned by performing the annual mock wedding, which was a double for the first time this year. Of course, the talents which brought about the wedding kisses received by brides, Kay Caldwell and Laurie Woodruff from their grooms Jason Callhan and Kent Creighten resulted from different skills acquired out of class. "We didn't even get to have a honey-moon!" were the brides wailful cries after the ceremony. Looks like PHS brides, past, present, and future will just have to wait for the real thing.

Wedding party members look on as vows are solemnized.

Senior Todd Peters looks on as Mrs. Simmons instructs the art of cooking.

Juniors, Tonya Grey and Deborah Clough mix up something in the Home Ec. room.



Simmons teaches students to clean up their

Mrs. Plummle smiles while taking a break from her busy schedule.

Art Department Plans Expansion

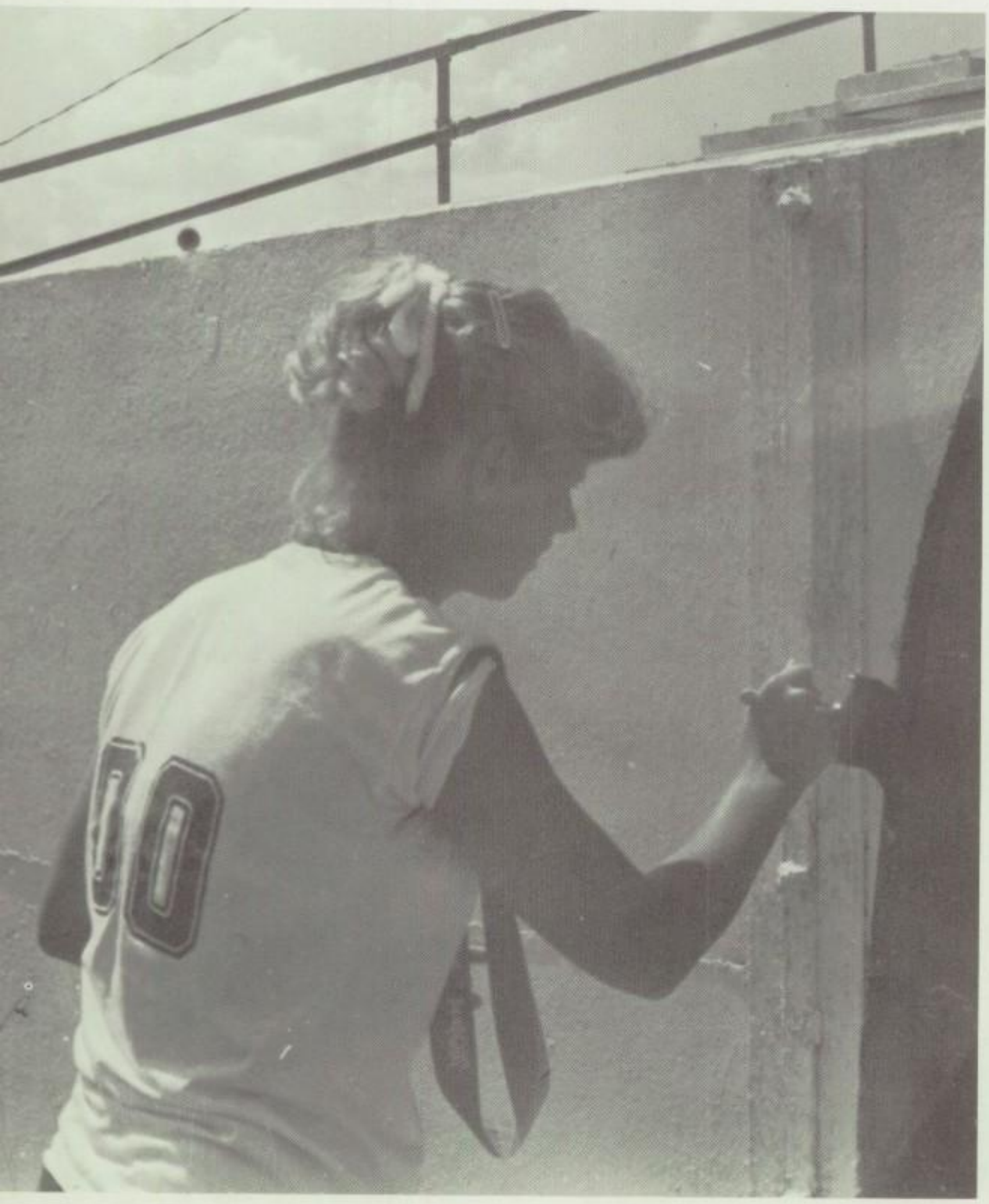
"Getting to draw what you want and getting a grade for it is what I like best about art," said Coni Barney, senior.

Students in the art department were responsible for the Pirate Booster ribbons, most of the spirit posters found in the hall, and building the 3rd place float for the homecoming parade. To make room for more young Rembrants and Michangelos, the a room will be expanded into the ne building addition on the west en "I'm really excited about the enlarg ment of the art room. It will give t students a better opportunity to app their skills and talents. I'm also loo ing forward to lots of new and d ferent art work." replied Mrs. Bet Plumlee, art and drafting instructor

Seniors Mary Beth Alexander and Iva Thompson add the finishing touches to the Pirate Stadium.

PHS art classes came in 3rd after presenting this float at the Homecoming parade.

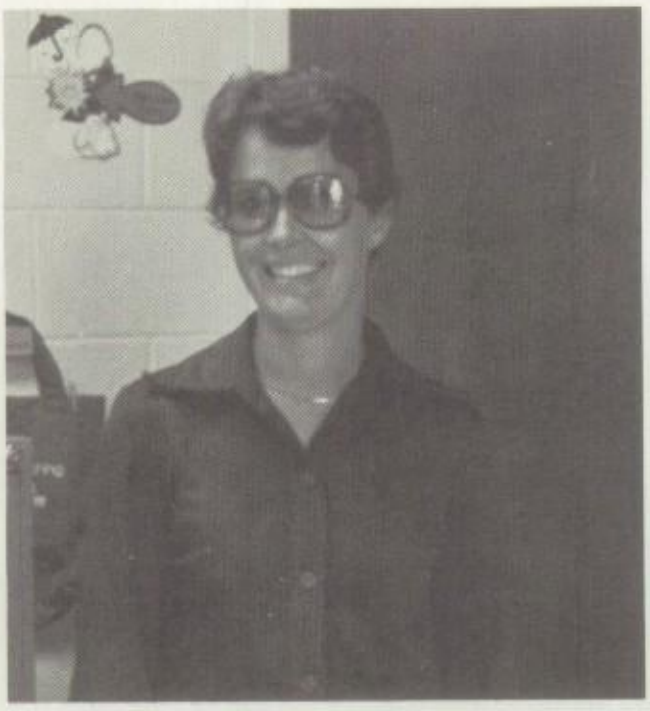
iors, Lenny Humphries, Mia Ray, Juniors, Hill, Sean Teague, Kelly Johnson and Teena Lenard complete drafting plans.



or Holly Hayes helps repaint the Pirate um.

Senior Gary Thompson enjoys the relaxed atmosphere of his art class.

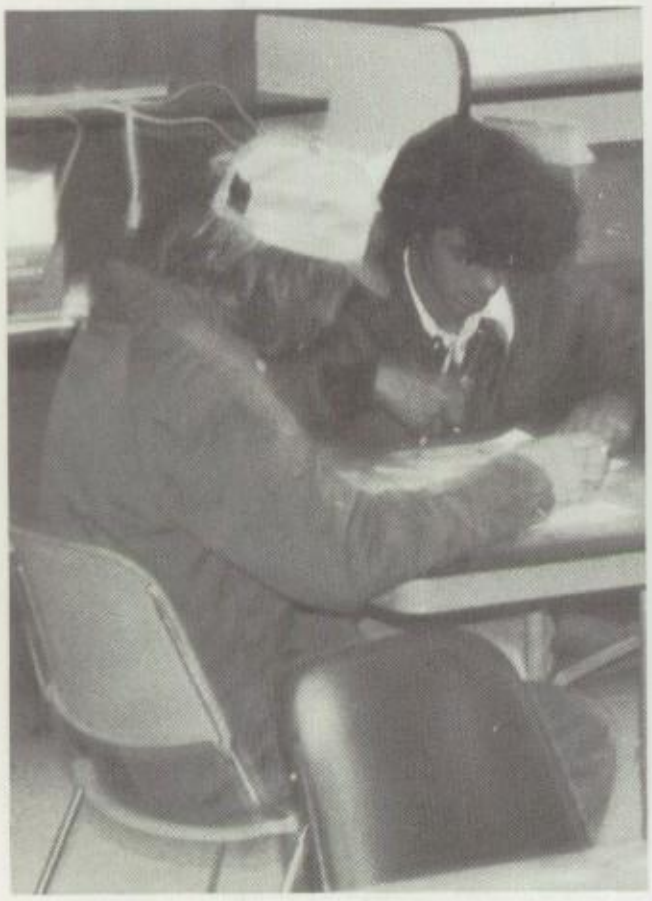
Special Kids With Special Abilities



Special ed. teacher, Mrs. Plummer smiles at a comment made by one of her students.

The learning disability class is a first for PHS, having just moved to the civic center this year. Special students are instructed by Mrs. Verda Plummer in language arts, basic math. These 25 students work a few hours a day in her class room. The remaining school time is spent in regular high school classes. Of these students, Willie Vineyard and Virgil Worley, who possess outstanding artistic talents, intend to enter the stat special Olympic art contest. Willie quite well known for his animated ca toon characters, which have bee published in various newspaper while Virgil's talent has been progres ing greatly in high school art class this year. Mrs. Plummer feels that he job was enjoyable as well as rewa ding. "These kids are great!" sh exclaimed.

Tresa Montgomery finds that test taking isn really all that bad.



Students, Mark Marshall and Tommy Leflore help each other with their class assignment.

Willie Vinyard receives assistance from Mrs. Plummer with a difficult math problem.

Library / Foreign Language

The library, to some, is known as a place of knowledge. Students find that the abundant supply of magazines, newspapers and books not only supply an excellent source of information for research papers but also are suitable for enjoyable reading. Mrs. Janell Darnell, high school librarian is in charge of all the library equipment, selling much-needed Pirate pencils, collecting overdue book fines, and the never ending job of keeping the audio-visual boys in line. Some changes are being made to accomodate the over crowded conditions in which the library exists. Plans of building a new, larger library are underway at the west end of the building. The old library will be converted back into class rooms after the move is completed.

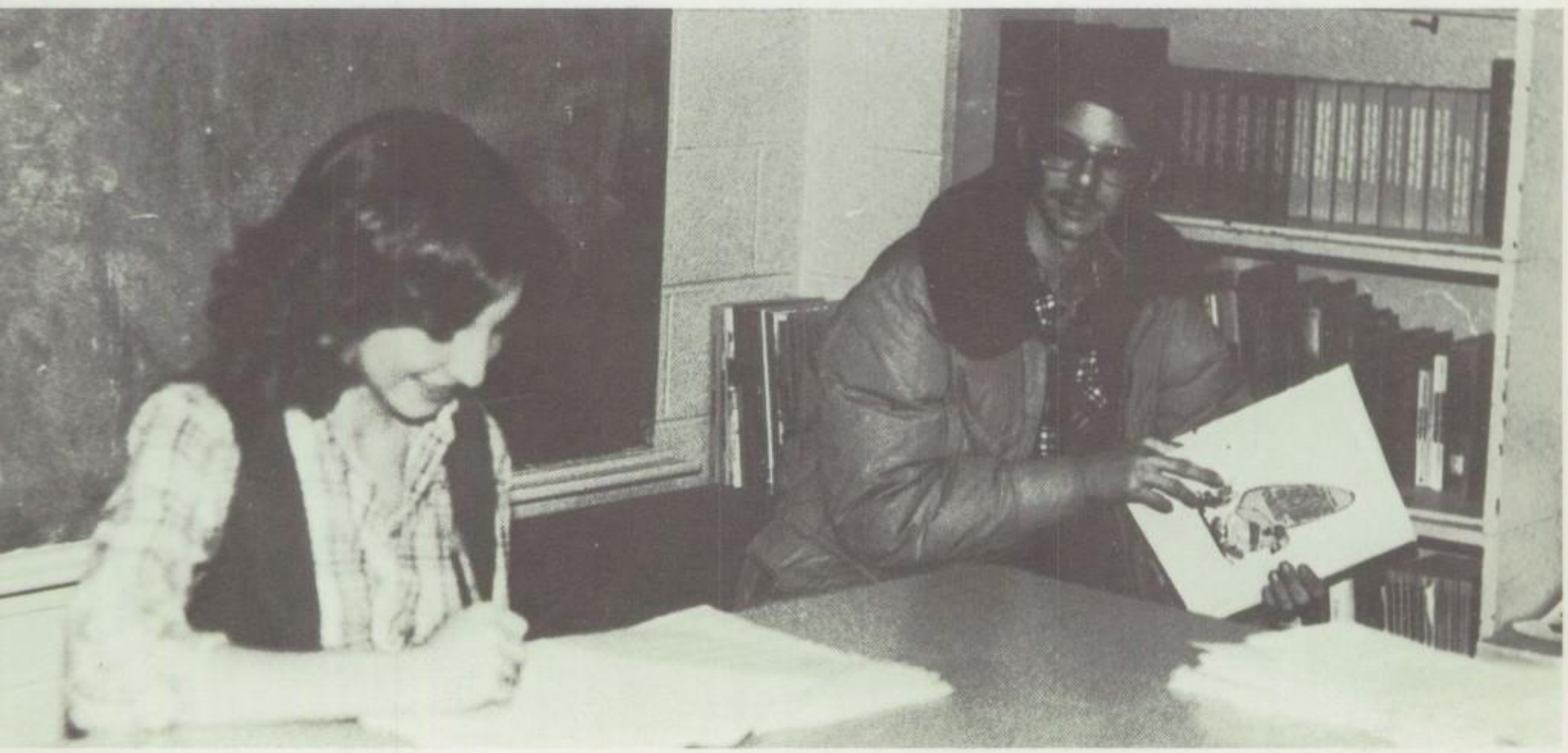
Foreign language students find that Mr. Pierre Guillet's Spanish and French classes aren't "Greek" to them. After spending endless hours over word lists these languages are spoken in the PHS Oklahoma dialect in the classroom everyday. This is just another example of ingenuity on the part of PHS students. Watch out world here comes a new breed of interpreters.

r. Guillet checks over his morning mail.

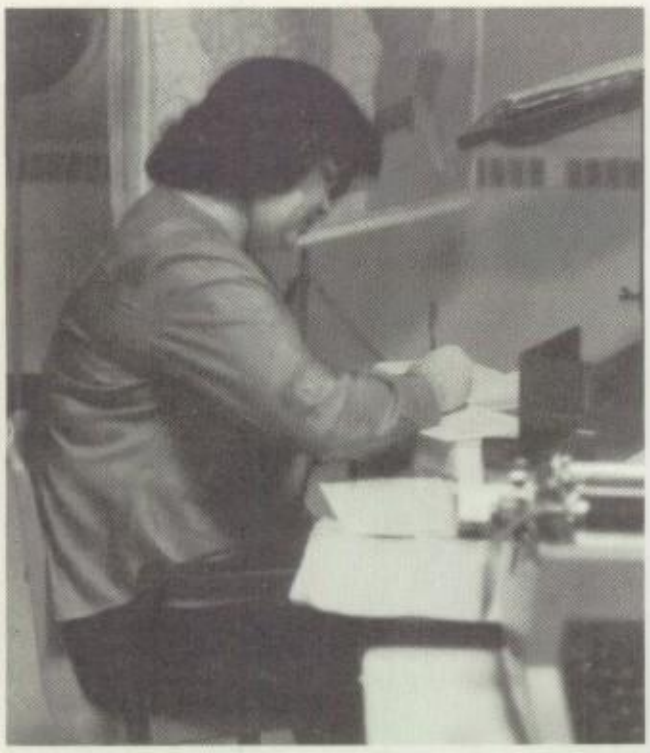
brarian Mrs. Darnell searches for a book eded by some desperate student.

Sophomores, Robin Elliot and Deanna Billings benefit from the library's resources.

Seniors, Trish Choate and Mike Crossland spend time perfecting their Spanish.



Students Learn World Affairs

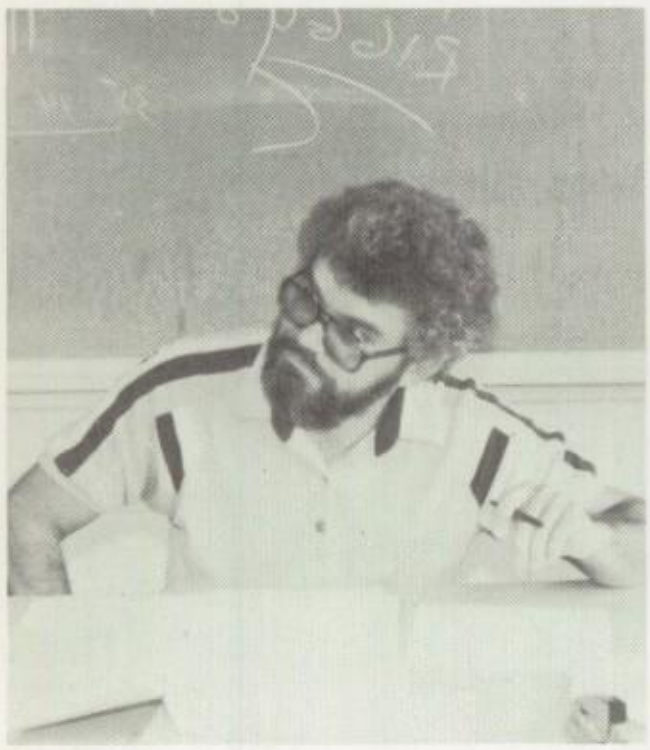


Mrs. Thompson makes a test for one of her unsuspecting classes.

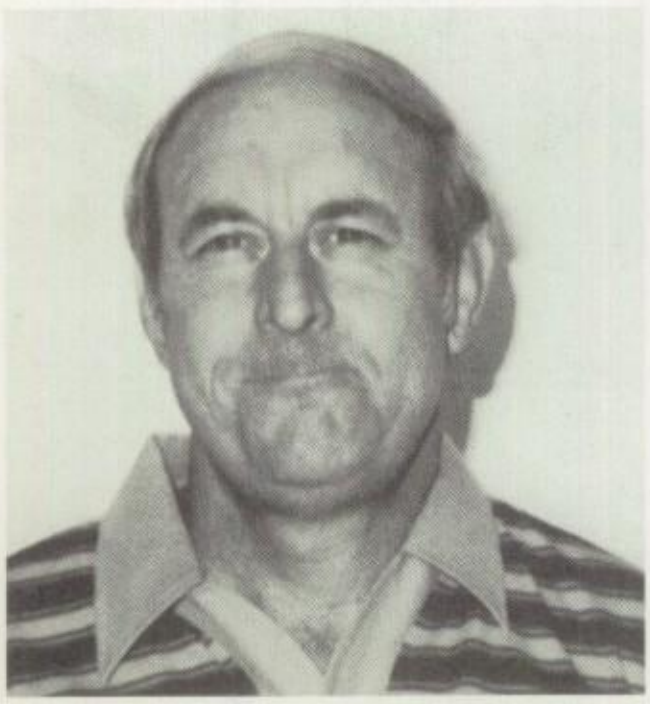
"Why me!" was the most common question asked by many PHS students stuck in the required American History classes. "In order to be a good citizen of this country, students need to be informed of past and present world affairs," stated Mrs. Toni Thompson, history and careers teacher. Discussions and debates occured constantly in these classes. Such topics ranged from the release of the American hostages in Iran, to the presidential election, to anything that would take up class time. Mr.Ron Riggs, who also instructed American history classes, assisted students probing into student behavior in h psychology class, while his sociolog class provided students with a bett perspective of different people ar their customs.

Mr. Bill Perry, who doubles as a assistant football coach, pounds in th basic facts of American law in h government and problems democracy classes. He also teach geography, trying to help studen know where they're at and whe they're going.

Sophomore Dena Manis takes a grip on h social studies.



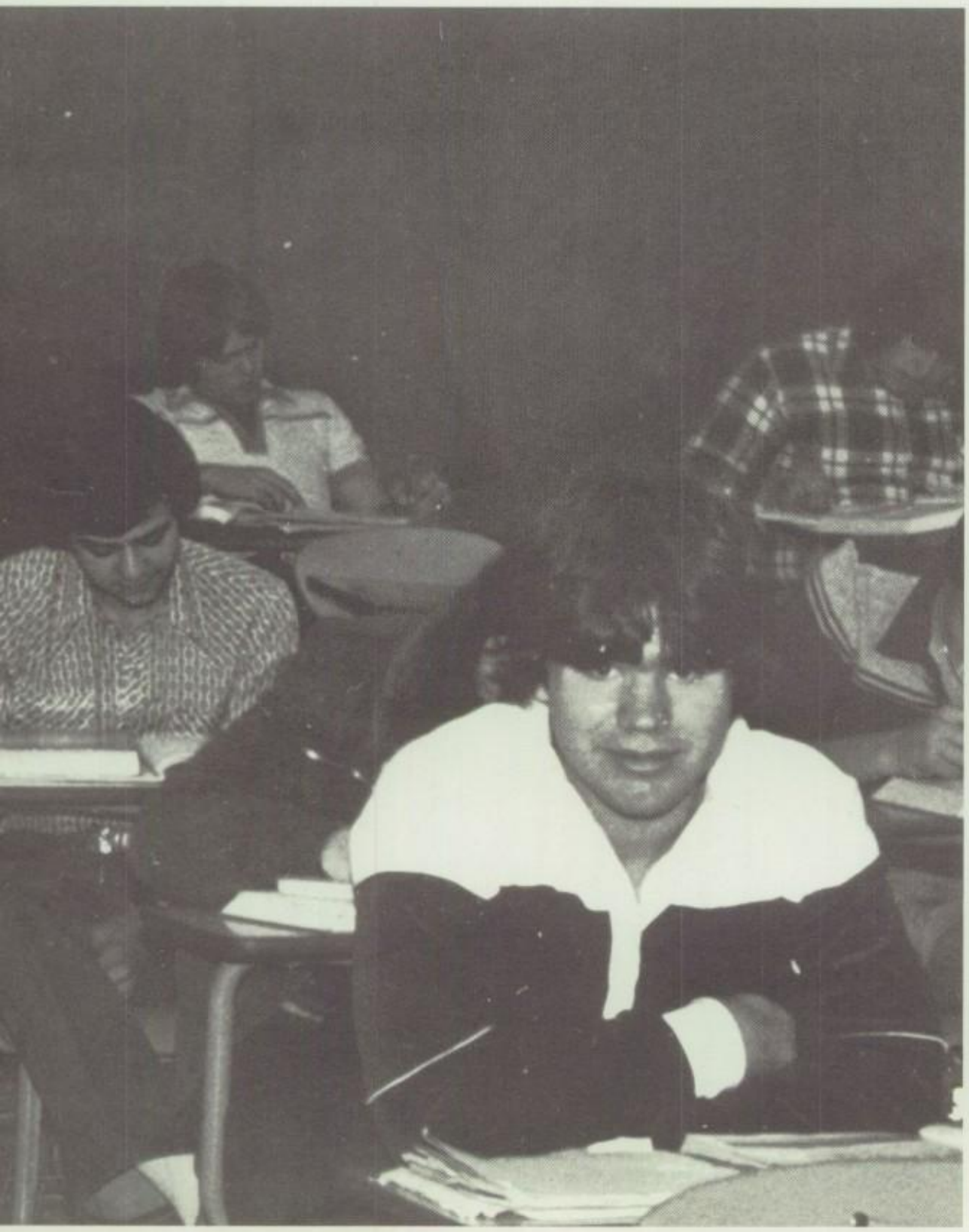
Students hold Mr. Riggs' undivided attention.

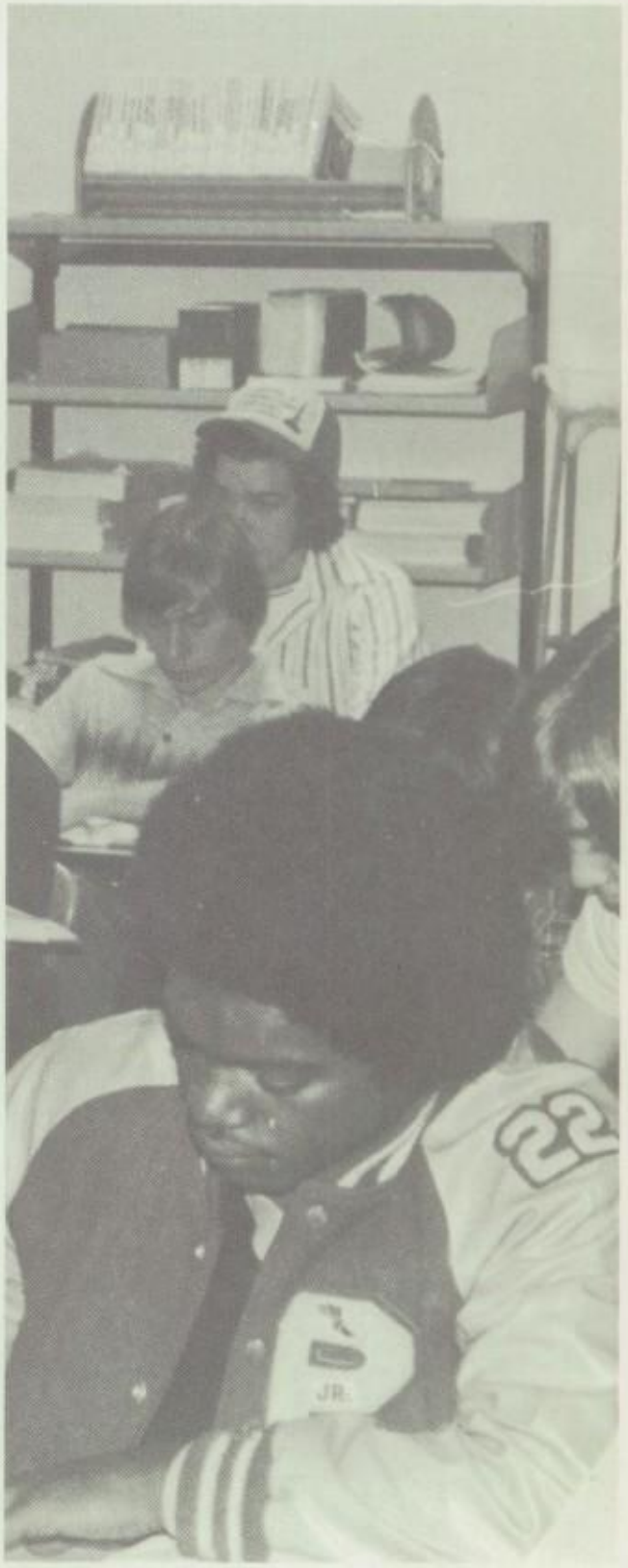


Coach Perry is amused by homework answers.

Brenda Harris receives dreaded homework ignments from Mr. Riggs.

Seniors, Charlie Davison and Mike Richards get ready for 9-week finals.





Junior, Jerry Henderson lives fast and studies hard.

Mr. Reaves assists junior, Lynn Collier with homework.

Students Conquer Math Problems

Math is a course which must be taken seriously. Consider the time all the devoted hardworking 4th hour Trig. students abandoned their favorite teacher, Mr. Hicks, called a mass "skip out" and held a class reunion at the Polar Bear Ice Cream Parlor. This goes to show that, although the year was spent on serious brain-racking work, PHS students still knew how to have a good time.

Mr. George Reaves, who has the full time job of vice principal, found time to instruct his students in the basic fundamentals of the ever popular mathematical proofs in his geometry classes. "PHS has a great student body and I love my job," Mr Reaves remarked.

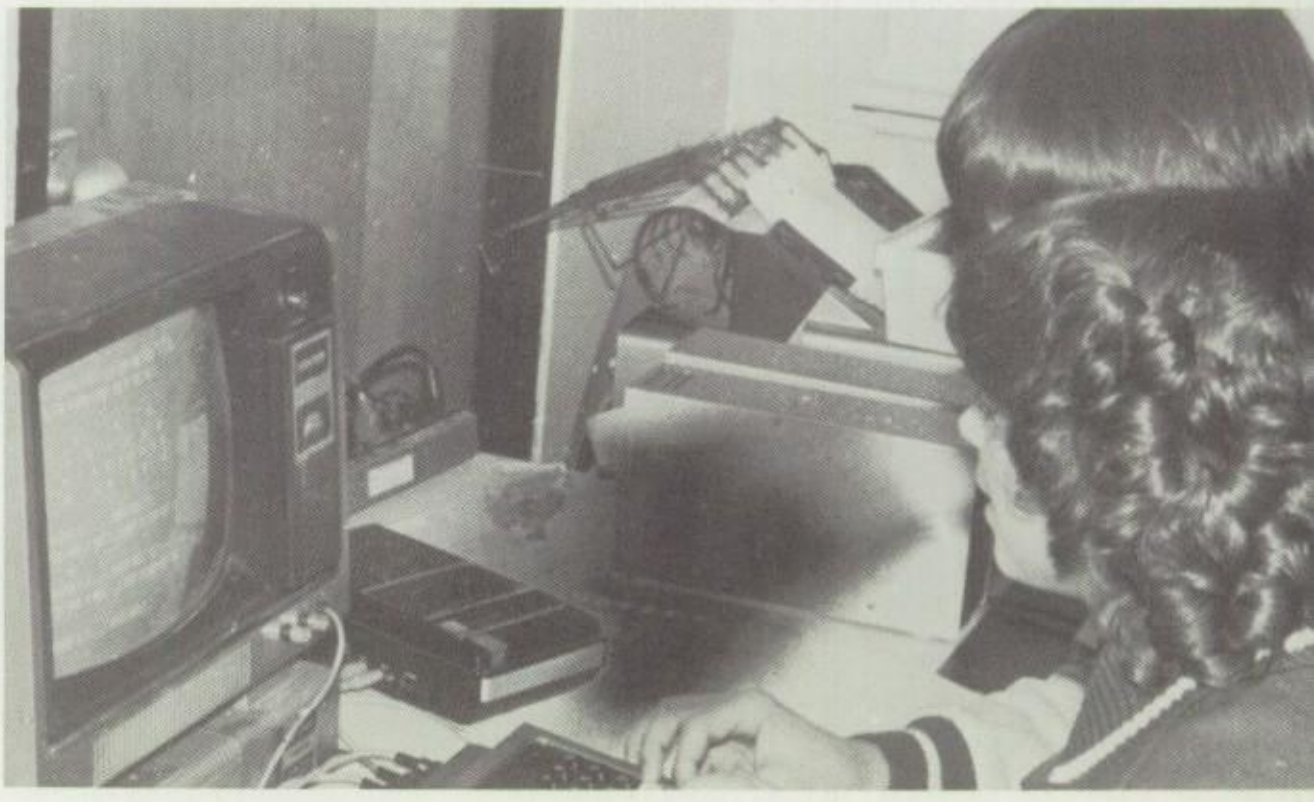
Other students found themselve conquering problems in pre-Algebr consumer's math and high schoo math taught by Mrs. Joyce Hale "Math is important because it i something that is used in everyda life," explained Mrs. Hale, who ha just joined the faculty this year. Help ing students that are homework stricken, is just one of the ways Mr CX Dugger spends his time. Alon with teaching a general physica science class, Mr. Dugger also works a a tutor.

Mrs. Hale explains income tax rules to her math classes.

Sr. Donna Smith learns the basic purposes of the PHS computer.

Perfecting his skill at computer programming how soph. Jeff Bright spends his noon hours.

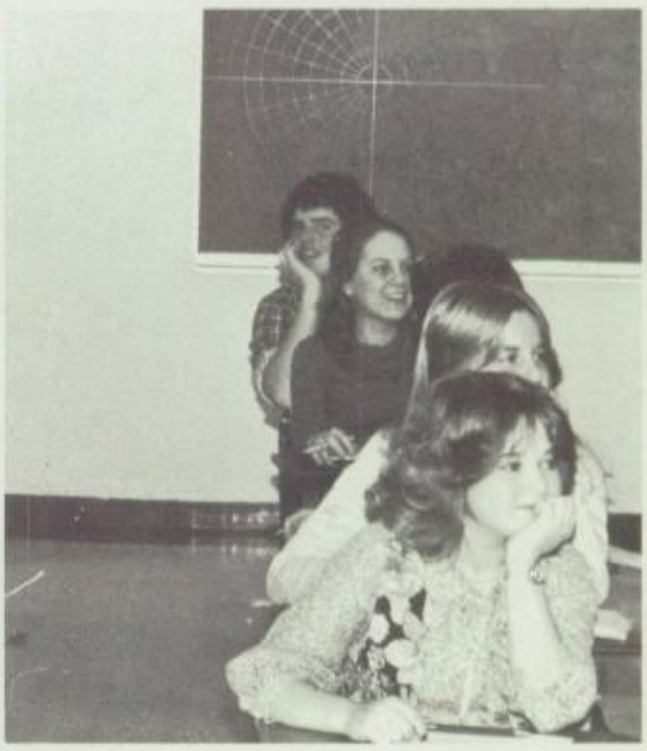
Mr. Dugger finishes the task of taking roll.



ors, Tommy Buttress and Lawrence Forest of weekends, while soph. Royce Qualls ks on his homework.

Sophomores, Laura Ervin and Deanna Murry concentrate on their geometry class work.

Seniors, Jon Sullivan, Scott Adkins, and Kevin Ray solve the world's problems between classes.



Sophomores listen intensely as Mr. Reaves explains the day's assignment.

Seniors Vicki McCrosky and Carol Reed finish their assignment in their Careers Class.

Sophomores Bobby Ballentine, Lequita Stevens, and Gina Chester explore the mixtures of chemicals in the Chemistry Lab.

Shari Stover, senior, relaxes with her candy cane after Coach Guillet's Christmas Party.

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Is there life after high school?

We made it through high school which was sometimes really a struggle. As sophomores we survived the hassles and putdowns of the upperclassmen, but pulled together to prove ourselves to everyone. It was a first for homecoming parades and floats, cupcake sales, movies, dress-up days, bands in the hall on game days — all these became part of the high school lifestyle.

As juniors we were nearly there. Not tops . . . yet, but not at the bottom either. We got used to money-raising-money-spending. Receiving class rings was one of the greatest events of being a junior, proudly showing your ring to all your classmates and friends. Traditionally, the junior class has meant "prom," planning and producing the highlight of the year. Our class survived hassles and disagreements to put on what we thought was the greatest prom ever, the theme being "Still."

Being a senior is an honor full of responsibility.

Graduation was so close yet so far. It seemed as though it would never arrive, but small reminders kept appearing — senior portraits, cap and gown measurements . . . finally graduation practice. Up and down the aisle again and again — never thought I'd have to learn to walk all over again. Then, the realization that it had come to a close. Now what? College, army, marriage, work . . .

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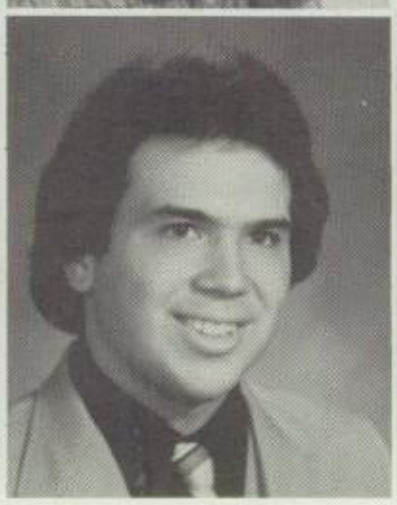

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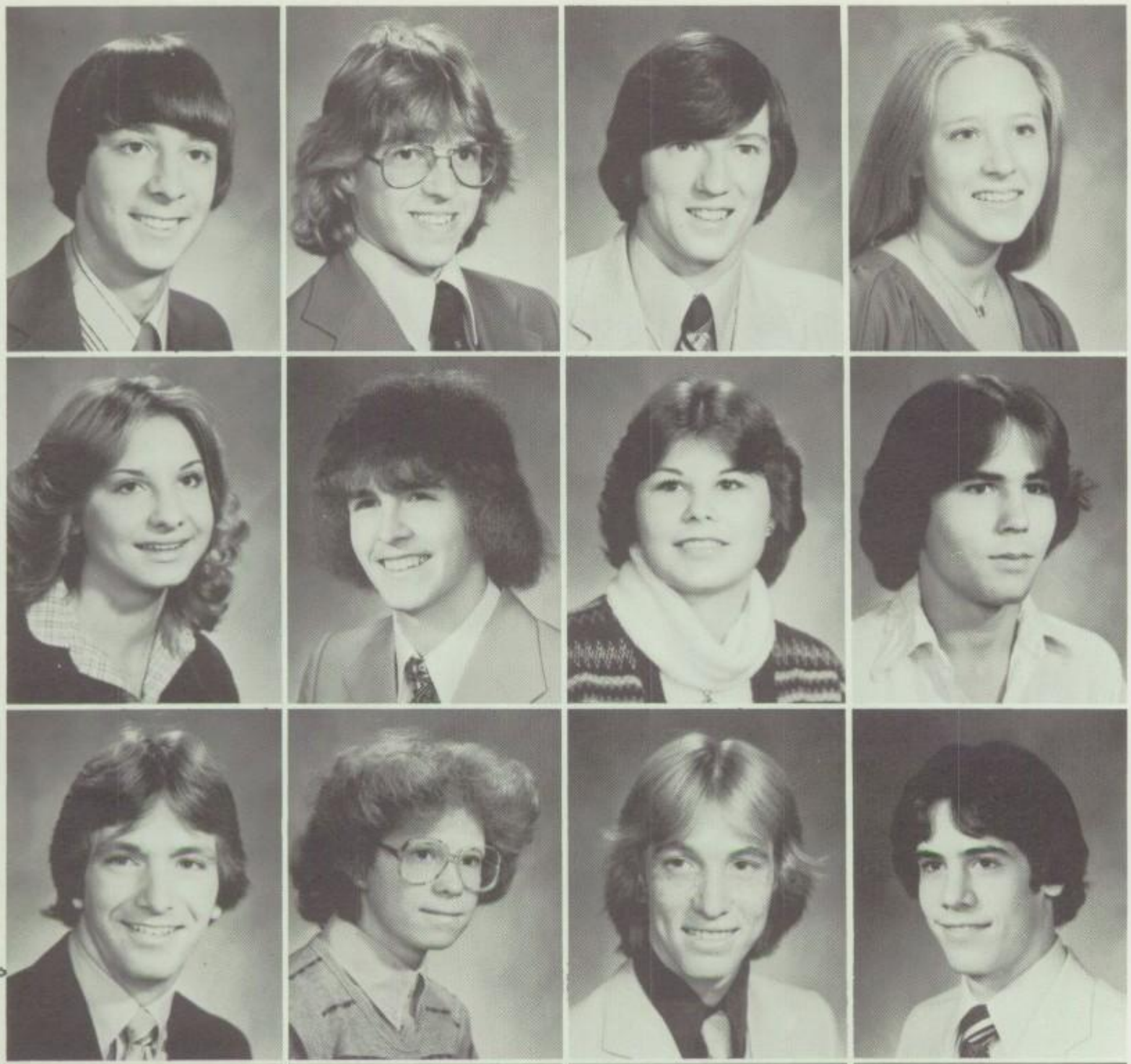

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Kent Creighton

Diane Cross
Mike Crossland
Damita Davis
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Seniors Patricia Choate and Vicki McCroskey take a break to enjoy Christmas candy

Seniors Survive Hassles, Disagreements

Kevin Reidy learns the basics of running Audio-Visual equipment.

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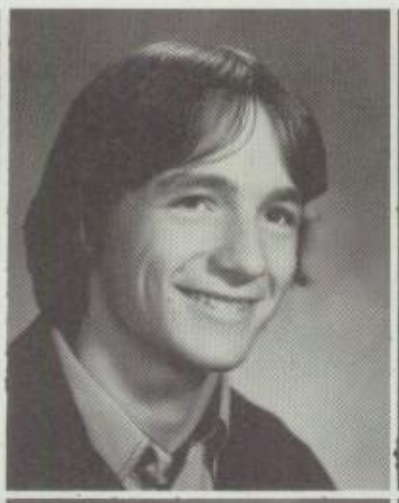

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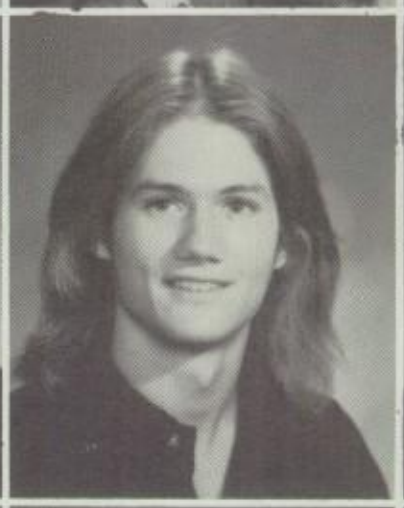

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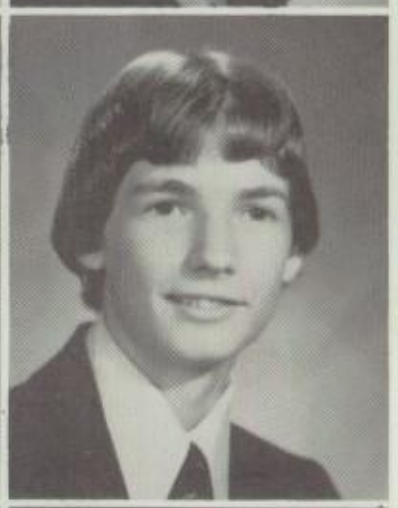

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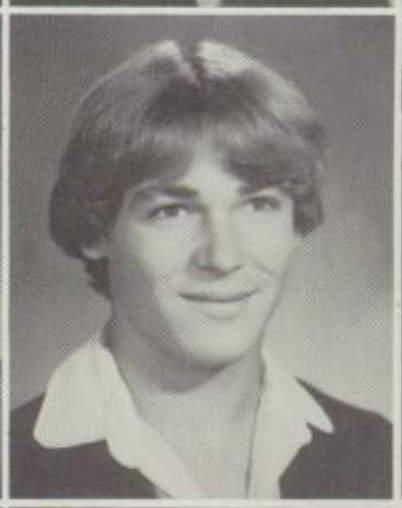

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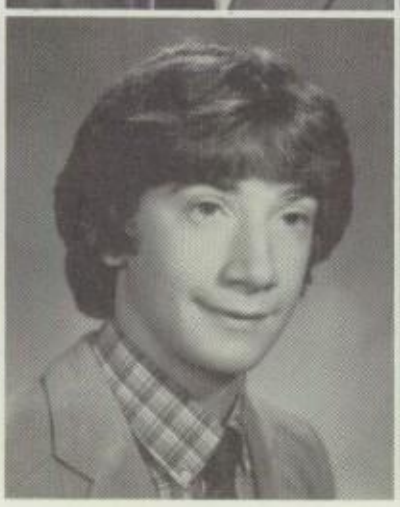

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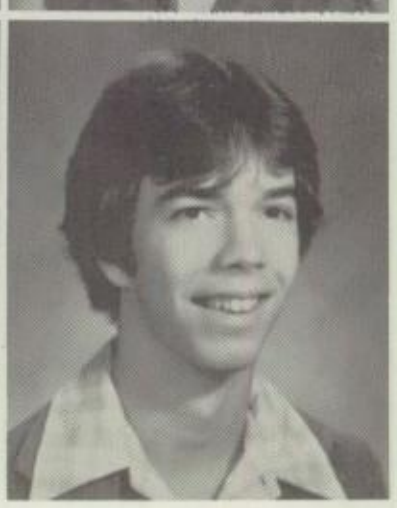

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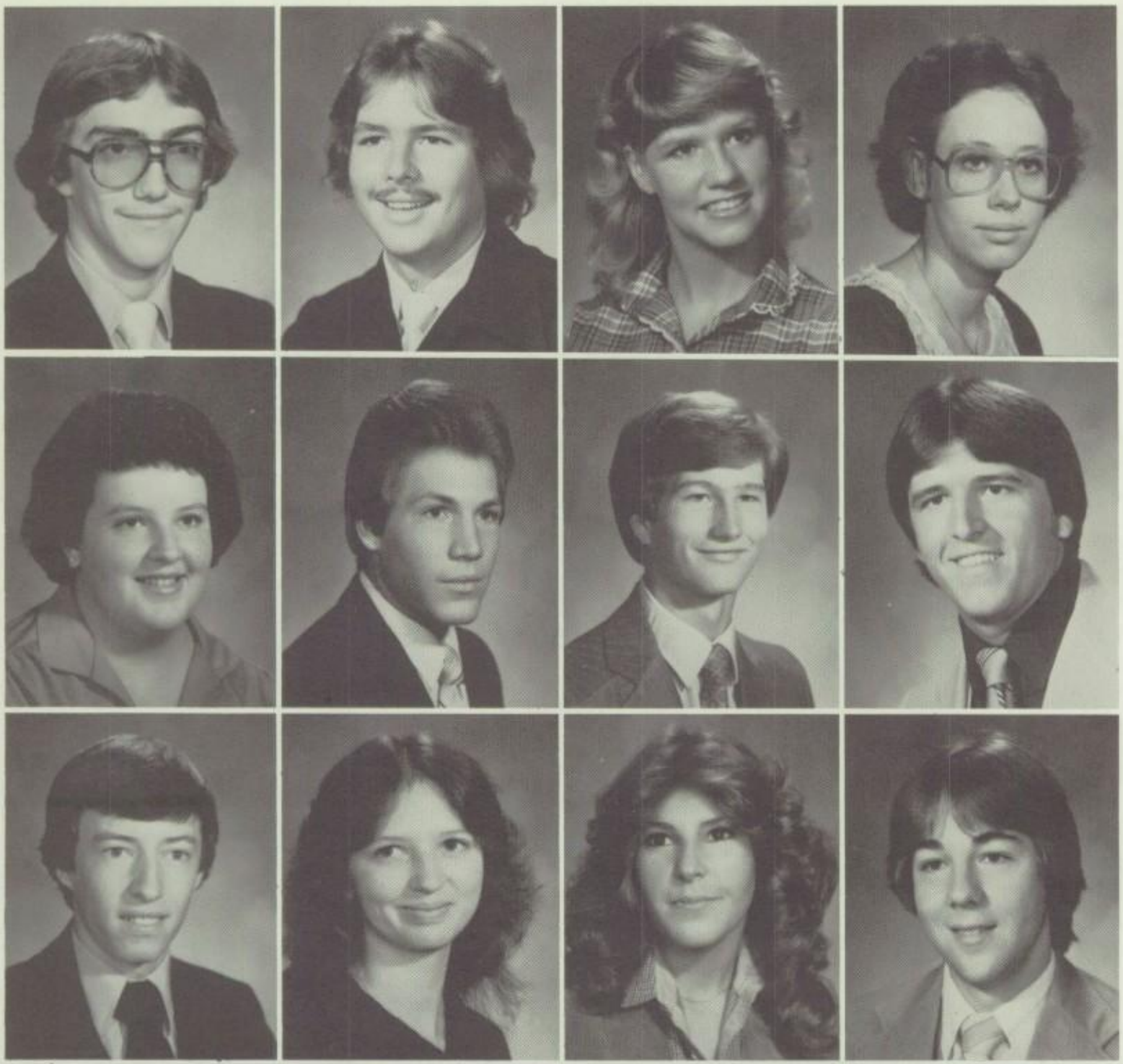

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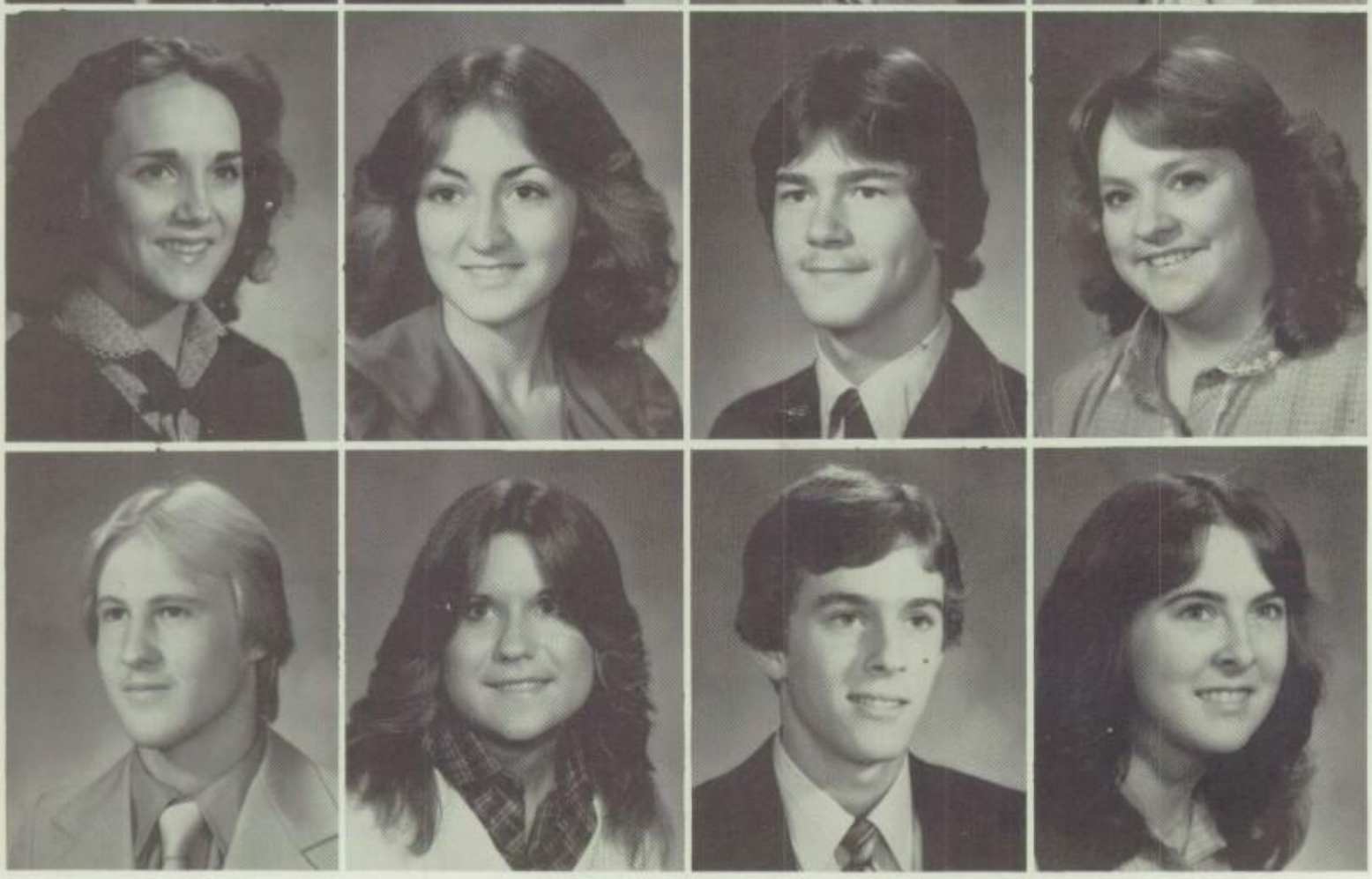

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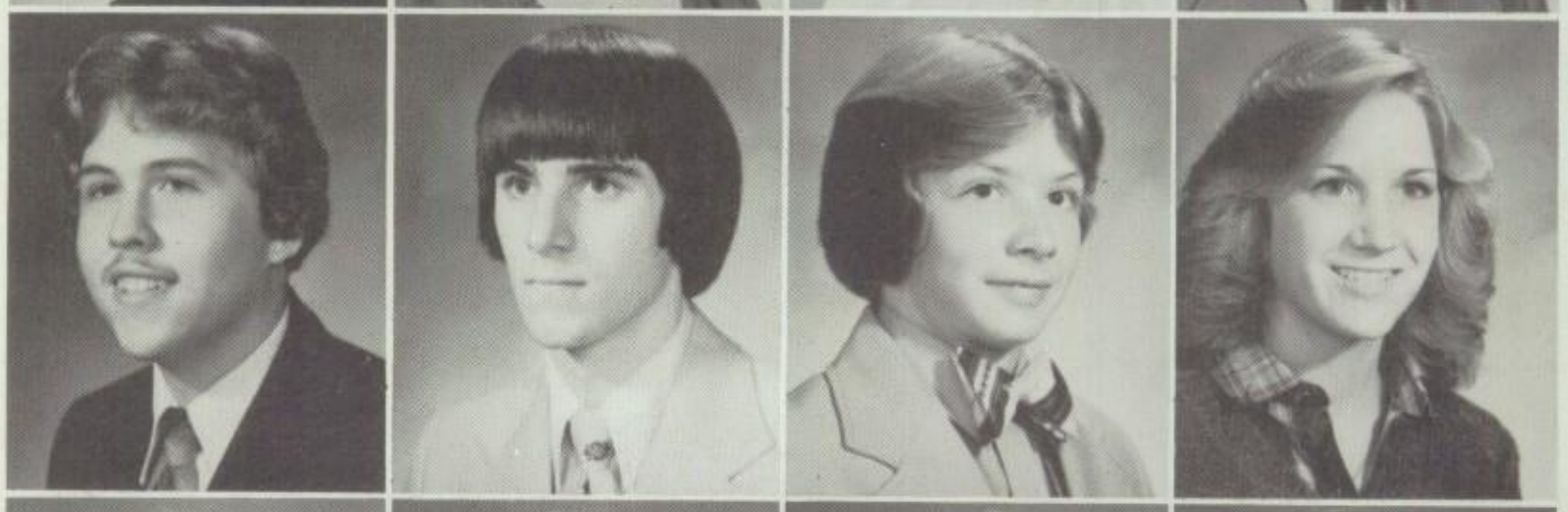

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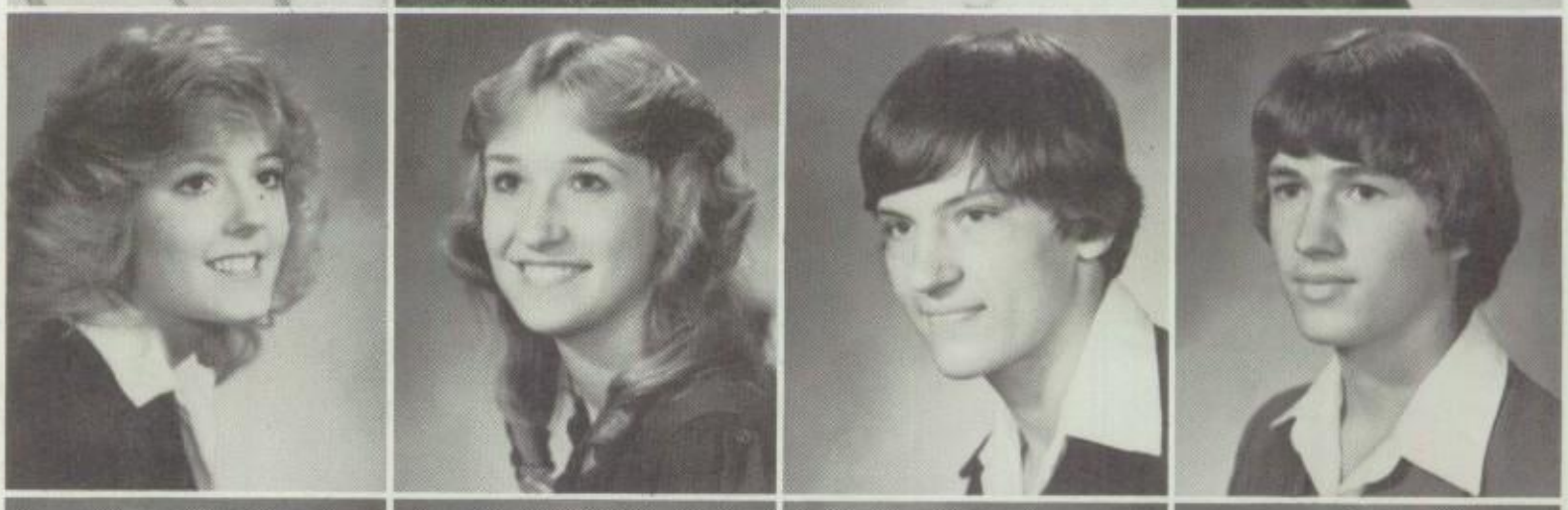

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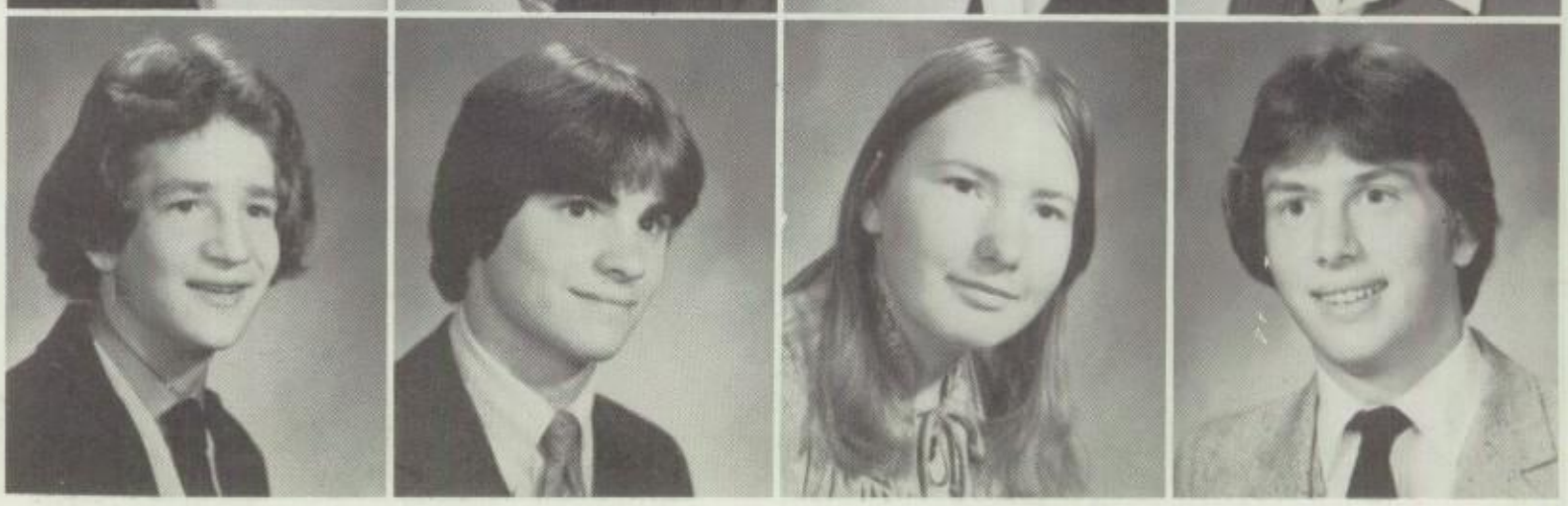

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Kevin Ray

Mia Ray
Carol Reed
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Kevin Reidy

Susan Renfro
Mike Richards
Doug Ridner
Becky Ritter

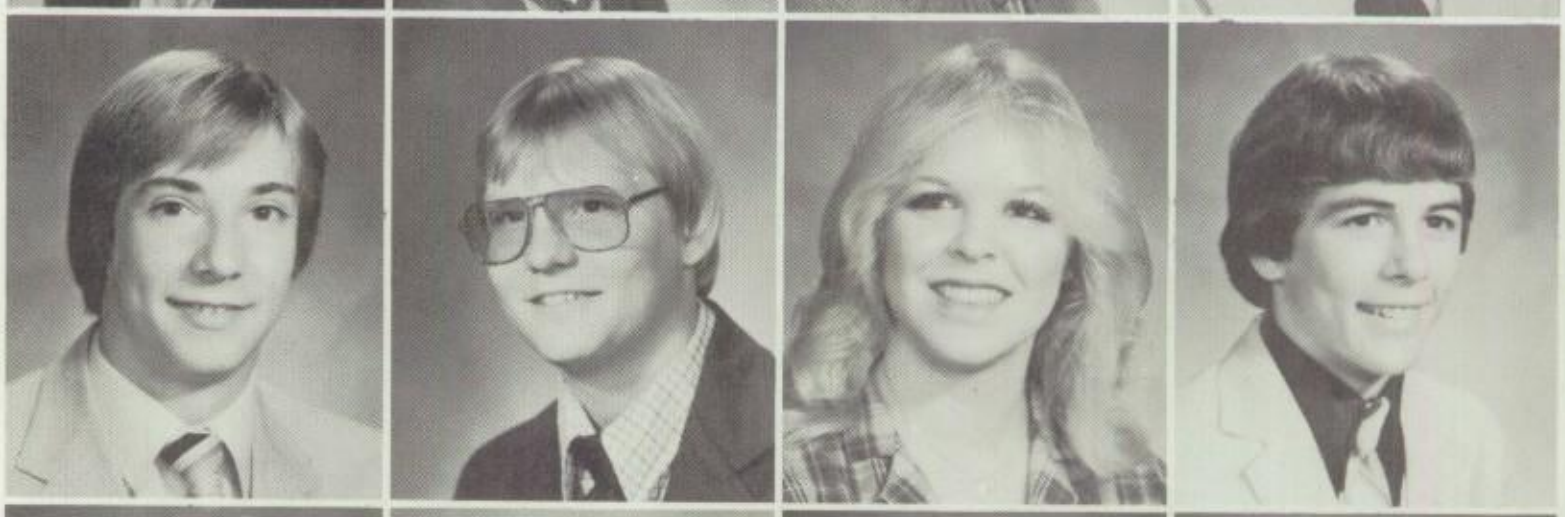
Patricia Ritter
Tammy Ritter
Eva Roberts
Lori Ross

Seniors Ronnie Campney, Carl Brown, and Scott Adkins pose for a picture before digging in during the Mount Everest Ice Cream Contest.

College, Army, Marriage, Work . . .

Seniors Kent Creighton, Mike Richards, and Terry Reed put their minds to work on the aptitude test.

Kristi Schroeder
Maxine Shaw
Donna Smith
Terry Spangler



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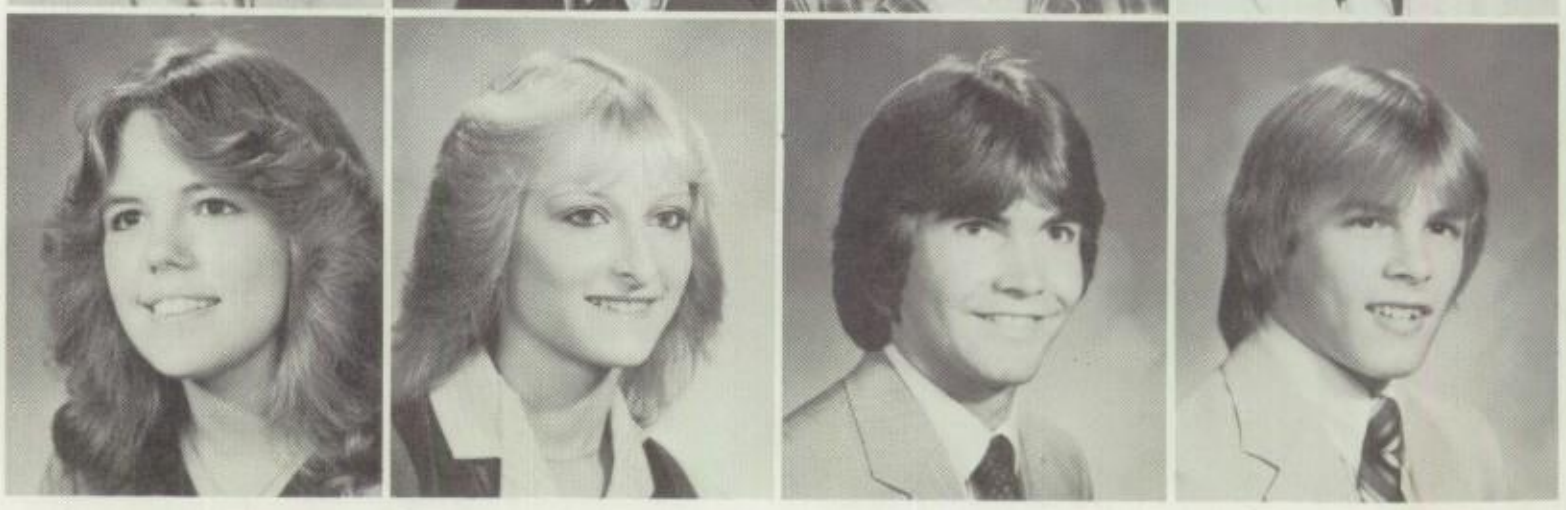

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Gayla Sulivant
Jon Sullivan
Troy Talley

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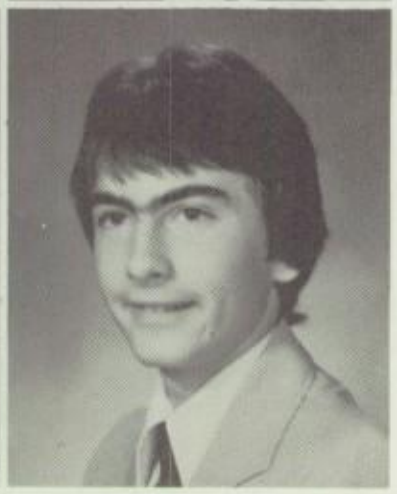


Sterling Zearley

Seniors Dane Field and Scott Adkins model their togas on Toga Day.

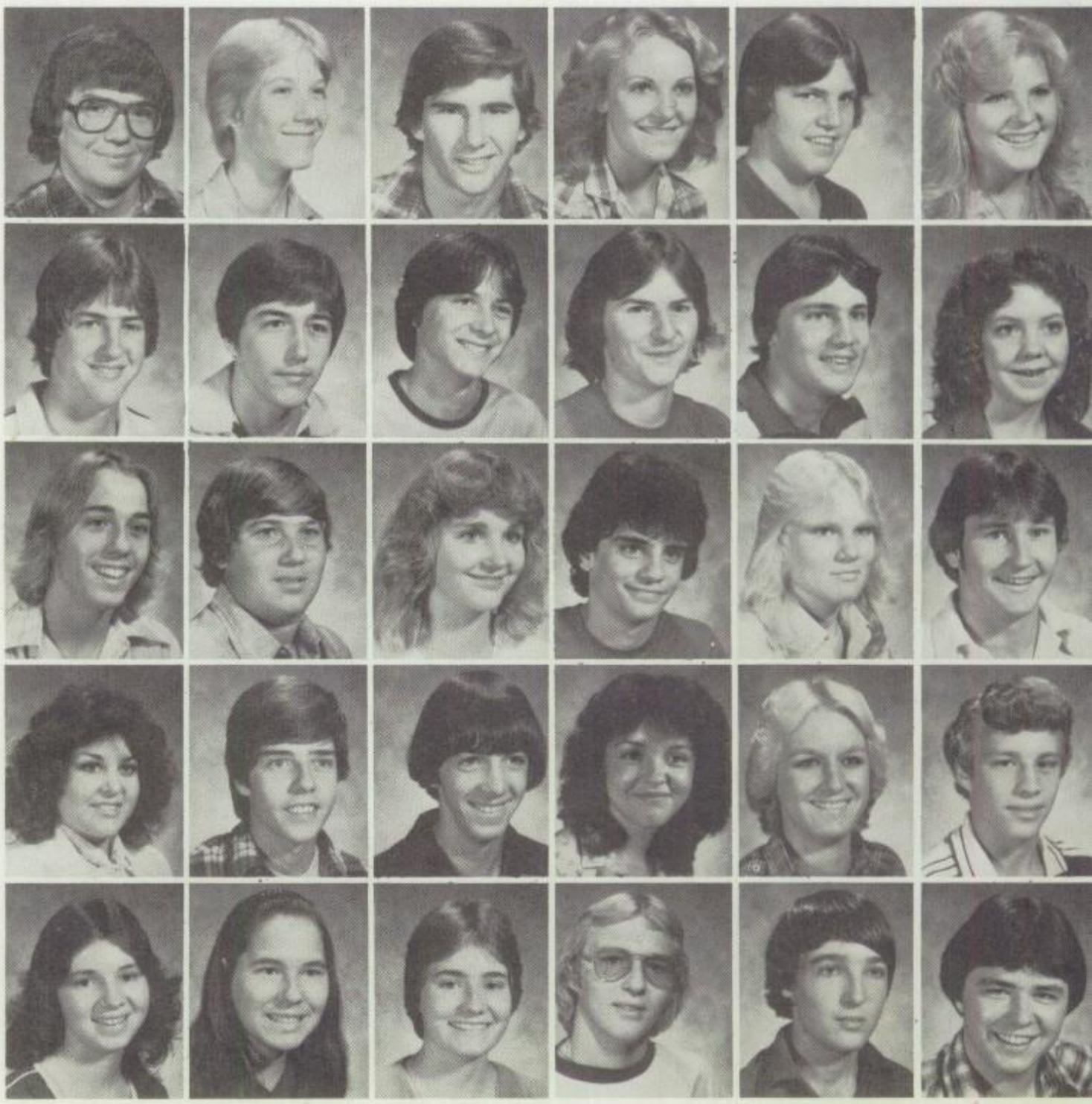
Senior Michelle LaFevers practices for her halftime performance.

We've Almost Made It

Our high school years are almost over. We had a busy year, but an exciting one. We sold plastic tumblers to raise money for the float and prom. We received a 1st place ribbon in the float contest making our hard work worth while. Despite disagreements within our class we pulled together to organize a first place prom.

Anticipation mounted as the arrival date for junior rings drew near. The day arrived and we all enjoyed comparing and showing off our rings.

Junior Sally Watkins instructs Big Bertha's Bust Developing class in the Student Council talent show.



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Diana Babb

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Ronnie Boss
Jimmy Box
Linda Brown
Shawn Brown
Kay Caldwell
Mark Caldwell

Cheryl Calhoun
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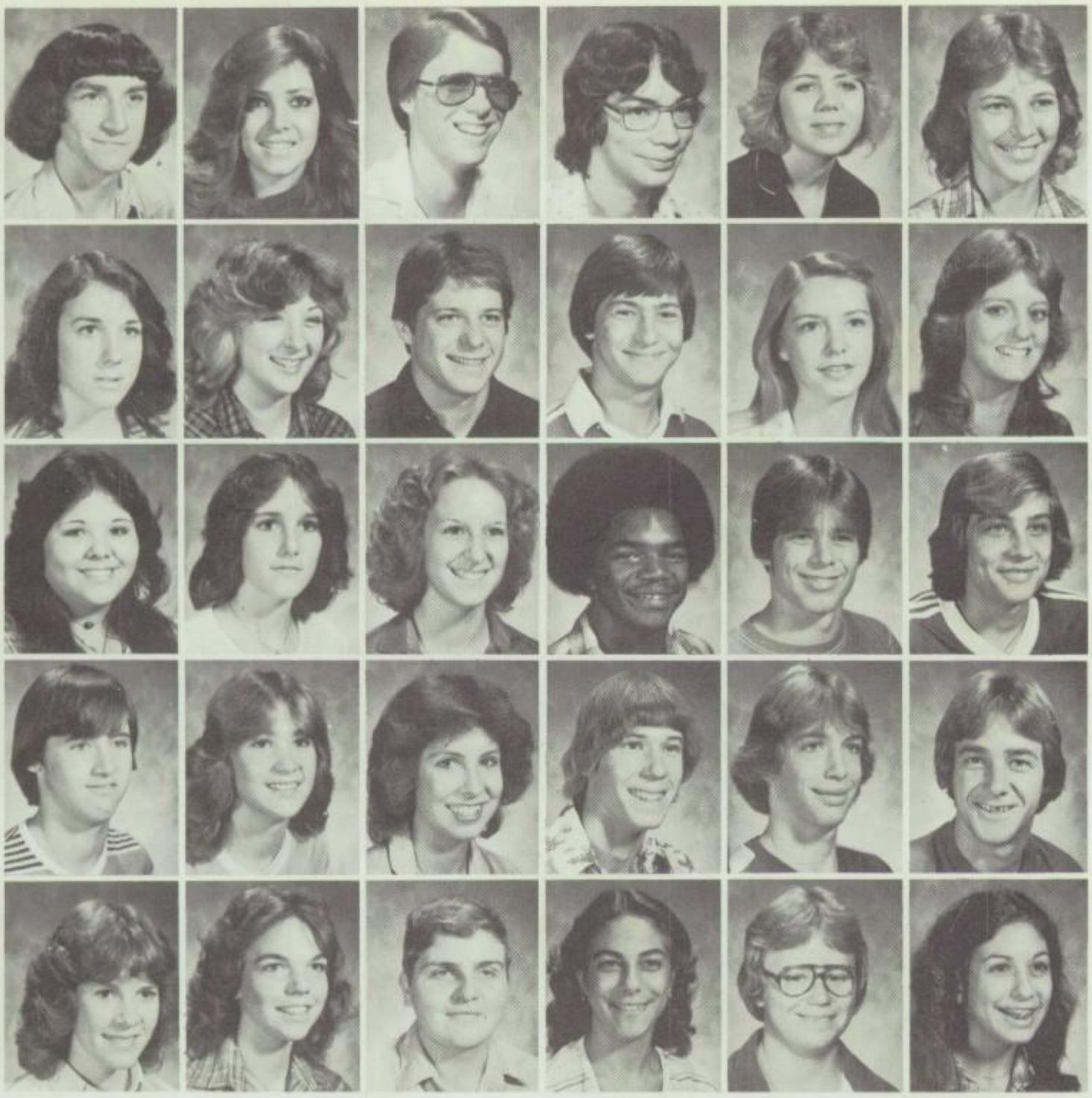

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Sandra Dunning

Cindy Evans
Janna Fox
Casey Fussell
Chris Garland
Tonya Gray
Janna Greene

Gwen Gullick
Sherrie Hatcher
Teresa Hayes
Jerry Henderson
Steve Hickman
George Hilderbrand

Coy Hill
Joy Hill
Tara Holstead
Jes Humphries
Gene James
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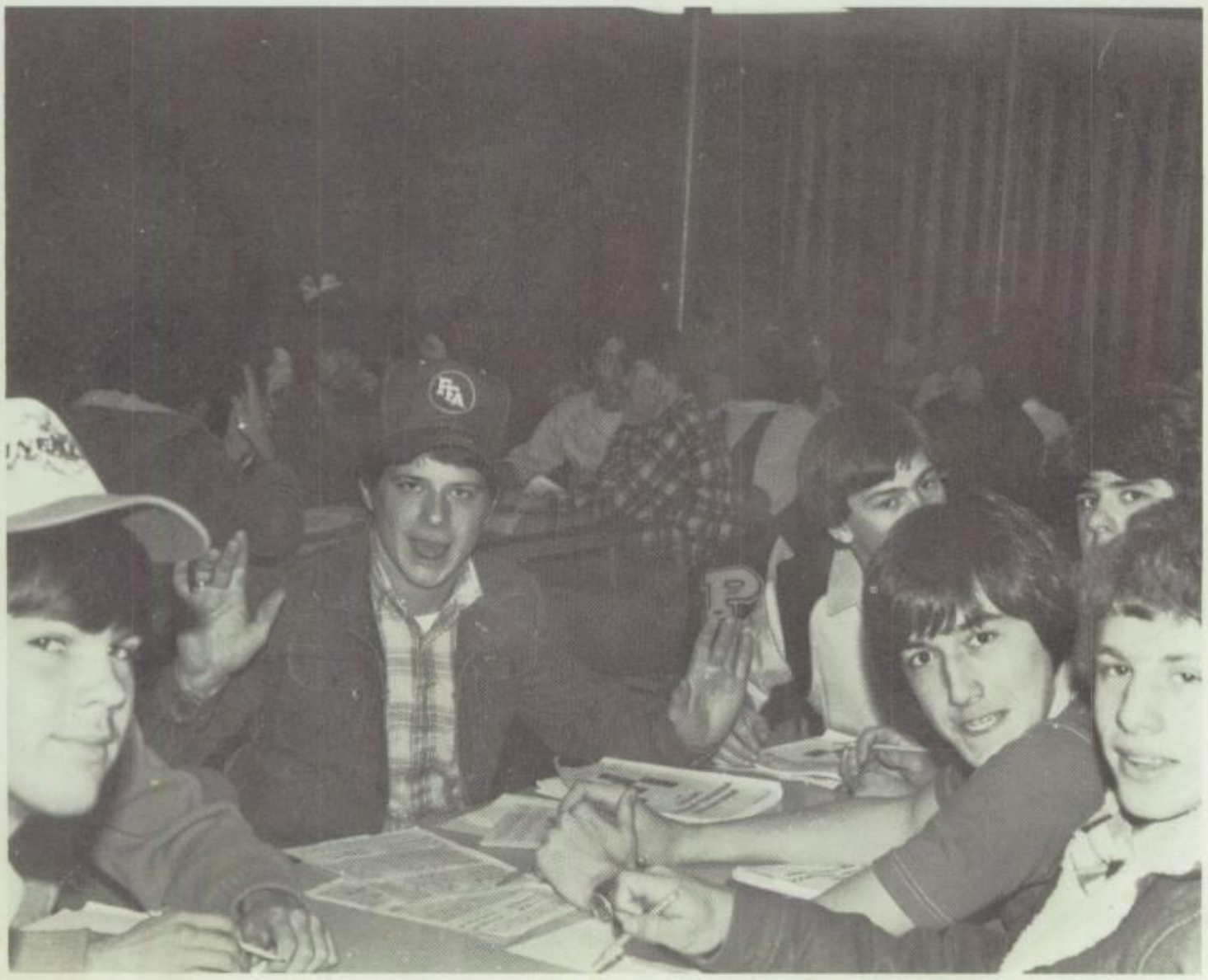
Donna Johnston
Shelly Jones
Billy Kerschner
Dena Killion
Hugo Langdell
Gina LaRosa



Juniors Jay Mixon, Casey Fussell, Glenn Baggs, and Steve Clay take a breather from a Junior Class Meeting.

Ann Lauck
Teena Lenard
Blake Longenbaugh
Neva McBride
Tracy McConnell
Ailene McCoy

Allison McElhaney
Keith McSpadden
Terry Manlove
Danita Manning
Billy Mashaney
John Medley

Jay Mixon
Keith Moon
Dwain Morphis
Debra Myers
Melody Needham
Richard Newby

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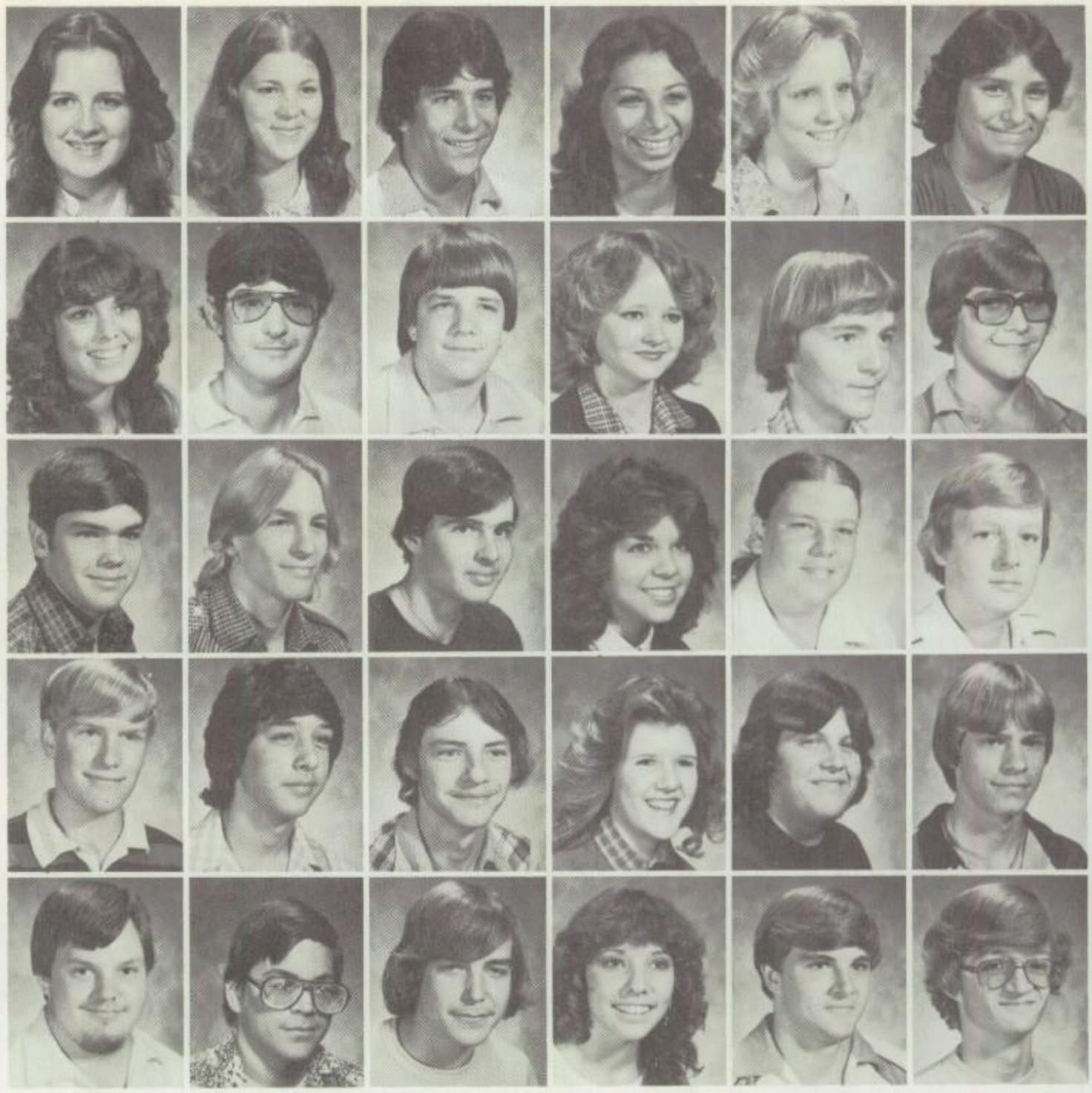
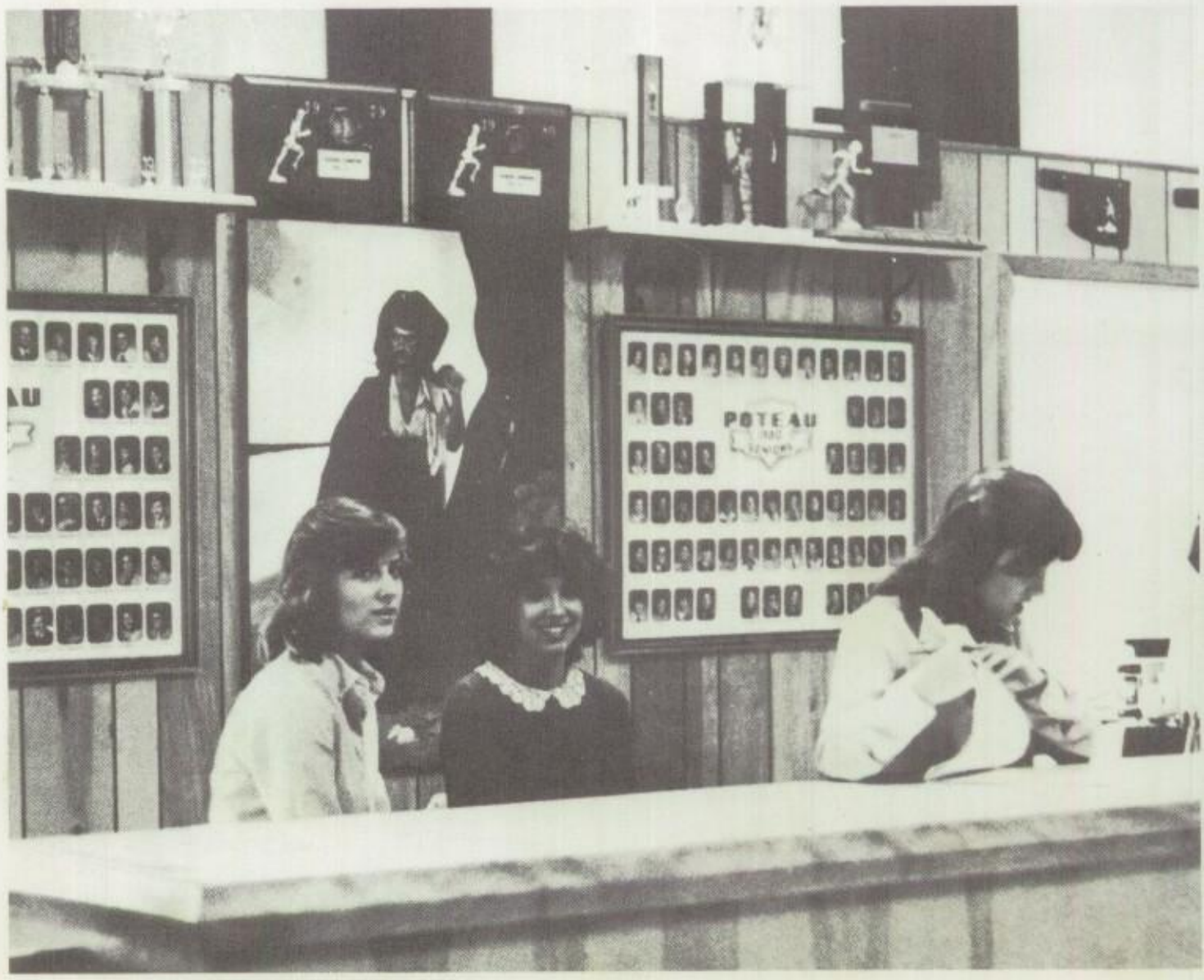
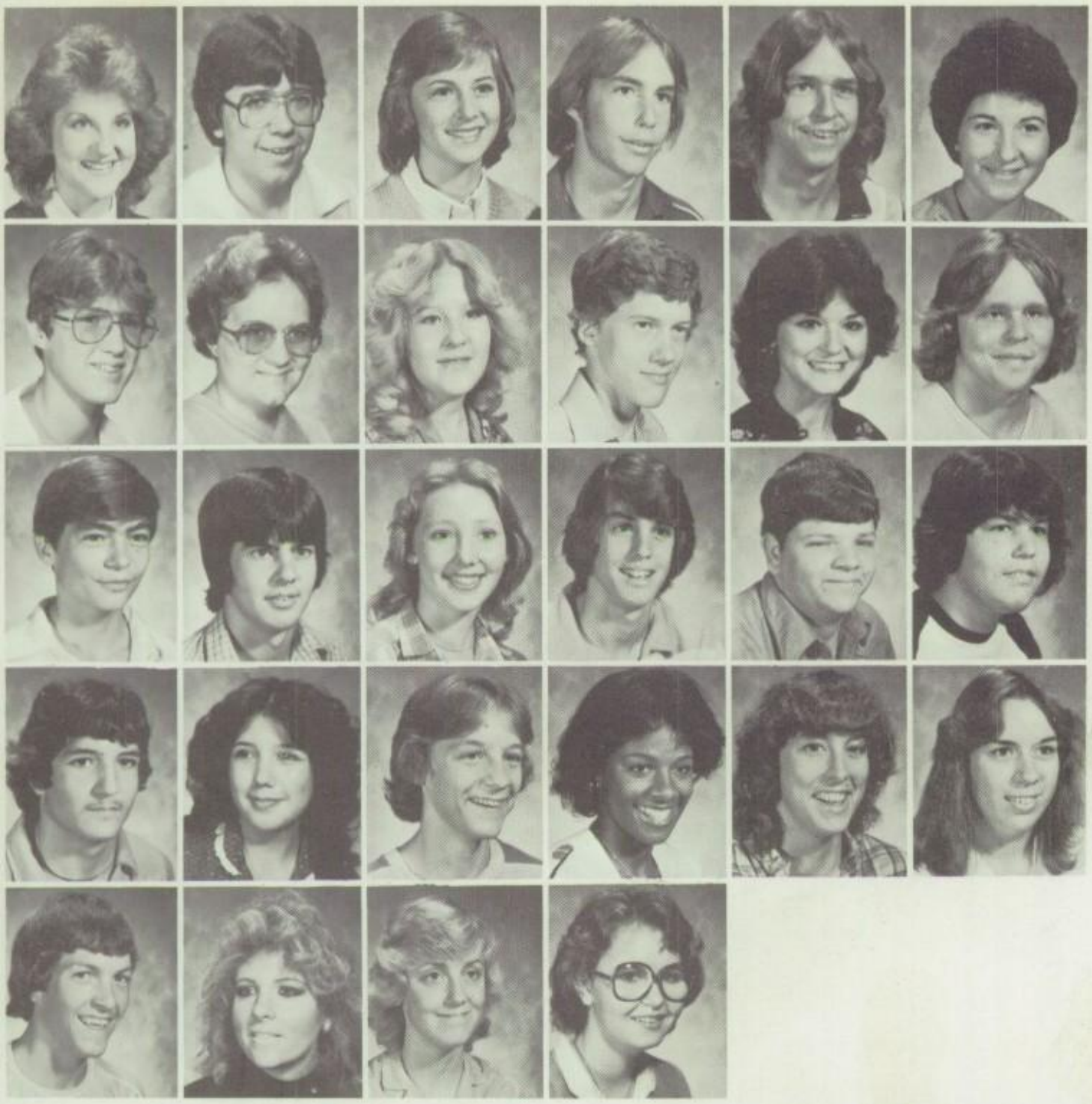


Juniors Lisa Shankle, Tara Holstead, and Jana Greene assist in the office.





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Andrew Sears
Lisa Shankle
James Shaw
Richard Shaw
Robin Shaw

Johnny Shepard
Donna Shrum
Risa Siler
Brad Skinner
Lori Smith
Donnie Sockey

Mike Stanley
Mark Sullivan
Joyce Tanner
Sean Teague
Bruce Thompson
Jerry Townley

Tony Troutman
Lela Trujillo
Gene Tucker
Deborah Turner
Debi Urchison
Debbie Walden

Robert Warren
Sally Watkins
Melissa Weaver
Tammy Yandell

Juniors Danita Manning and Ann Lauck discover the world of chemicals in the chemistry lab.

Junior Robin Shaw shows how crazy she can really be on Crazy Day.

Sophomores Step Up to High School Life

The sophomore float, their first class project, on display prior to the homecoming parade.

David Abrams
Darla Akins
David Allen
Keith Armstrong
Ronald Autrey
Bobby Balentine

Brett Barnes
Ricky Barnett
Gina Baxter
Donnie Bickford
Deanna Billings
Belinda Billy

Jeff Bright
Doug Brock
Jack Brown
Robin Brown
Darren Burgess
Penny Butler

Michelle Caldwell
Gerii Calhoun
Kelly Cauthron
Gina Chester
Cindy Clark
Sharon Clayton

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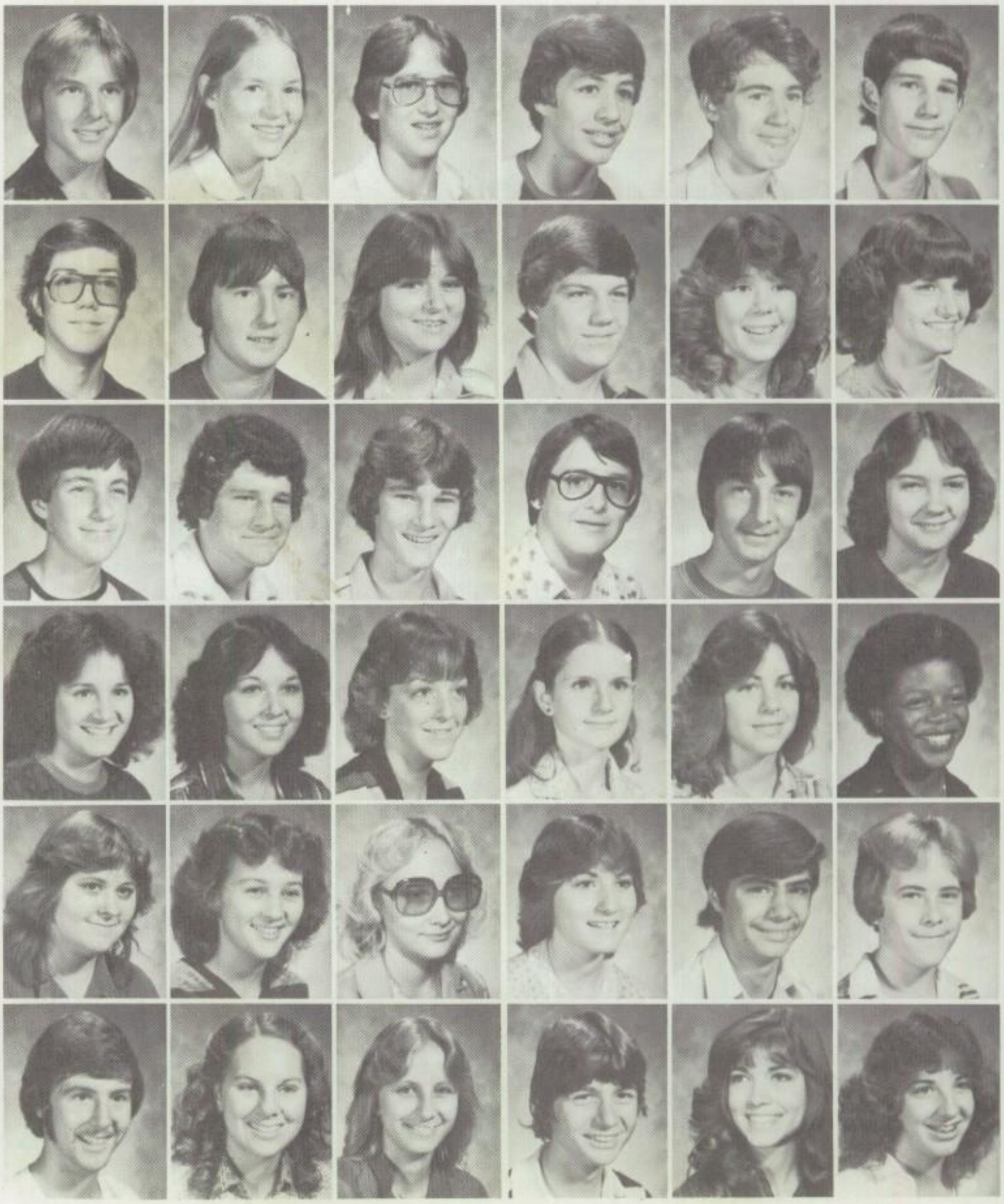

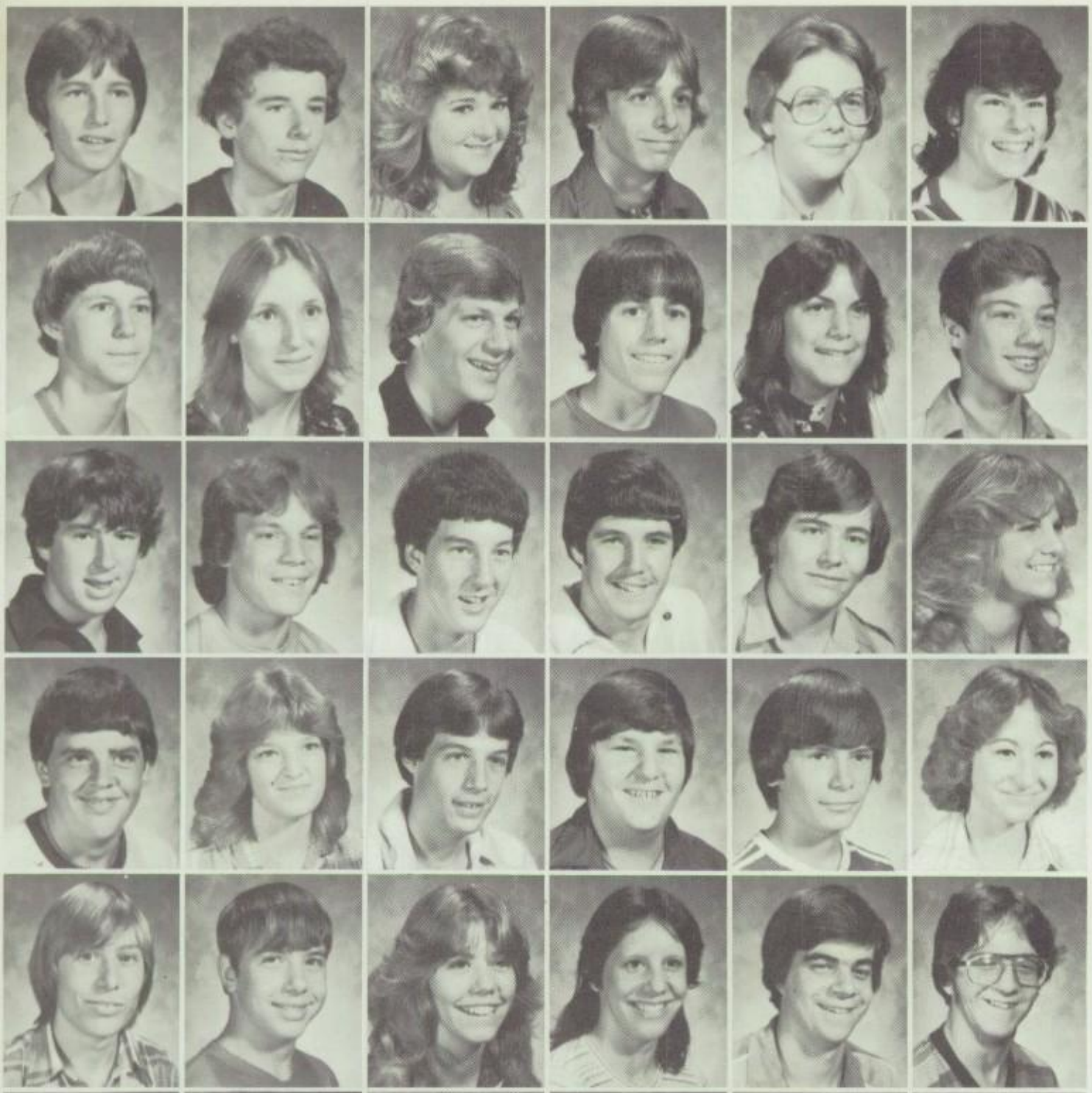

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Jason Easley
Robyn Elliott
Shawn Ellis
Laura Ervin
Robin Evans

Greg Francis
Julie Franklin
Eric Gallant
Chris Gorgas
Mary Jo Gullick
Kenneth Hancock

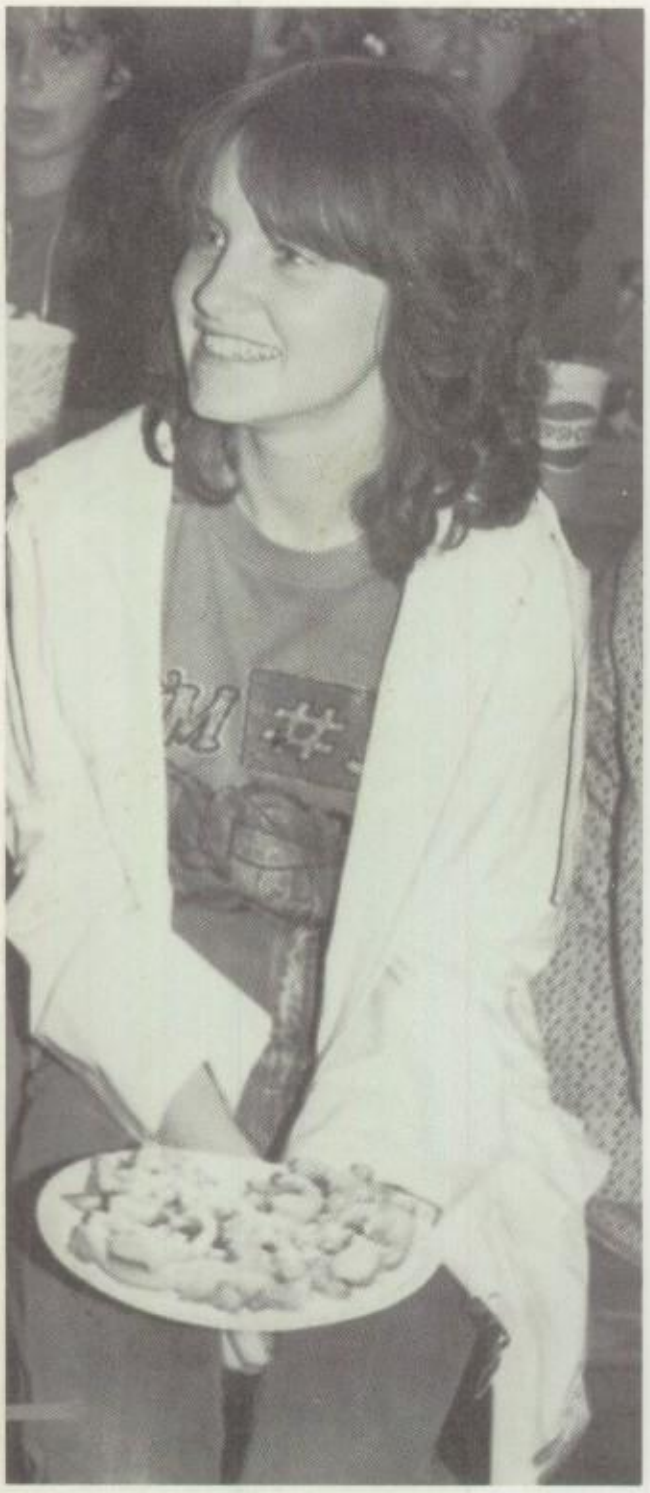
Donnie Hargrove
Jim Hart
Rodney Hemphill
Roger Hemphill
James Hess
Shanna Higgins

Eric Hill
Teresa Hinds
Shane Hughes
Rodney Humphries
Mike Hunt
Beth Jenson

Bruce Johnson
Jerry Johnson
Trayce Kerbow
Debbie Key
Gary Killion
Brian Knight

Beth Larimore
Tommy LeFlore
Phillip LeWellan
Lisa McMillin
Dena Manis
Eddie Medley

Sophomores Julie Dedmon and Shanna Higgins exchange books for their next class.



Enjoying a meal at the Tulsa State Fair is sophomore Belinda Billy.

Sophomore Chris Gorgas makes sure his locker is cleaned out before the annual locker check.

Rodney Mapes
Billy Mashaney
Chris Meredith
Teresa Midgley
Steve Mize
Darlene Mode

Kerri Moon
Deanna Murray
Tony Nelson
Valerie Nenstiel
Elaine Perry
Brian Pickle

Bart Plummer
Laura Pierce
Robin Potter
Royce Qualls
Jerry Ralls
James Ray

Kim Ray
Debbie Reece
Randy Ridner
Stacey Roberts
Kevin Rogers
Shawn Rohrer

Krista Russell
Mike Sexton
Tracy Sheriff
Ronnie Shipley
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Cindy Smith

John Smith
Amy Snapp
LaQuita Stevens
Ronnie Stoughton
Tammy Stout
Stacee Stover

Trisha Talley
Cindy Thompson
Kay Thompson
Dona Trujillo
Franklin Turner
Denise Valdez

Willie Vineyard
Ricky Wann
Diana Wasson
Valerie Weaver
Cynthia Welch
Camilla Wellman

Scott Wilkerson
Mark Winters
Cindy Wofford
Bobby Worley
Virgil Worley

Sophomores

Leaving the new responsibilities of being in high school, sophomores took a big step up to high school life. Trayce Kerbow, "It's a blast, but it is rough sometimes." Trying to get into the hang of having classes with older students, Teresa Midgely stated, "Classes are fun and the teachers are really nice." Trying to get into the swing of homecoming week, the sophomores had a car wash to raise money for their homecoming float. No longer will the sophomores be on bottom, because this was the final year for a three year high school.

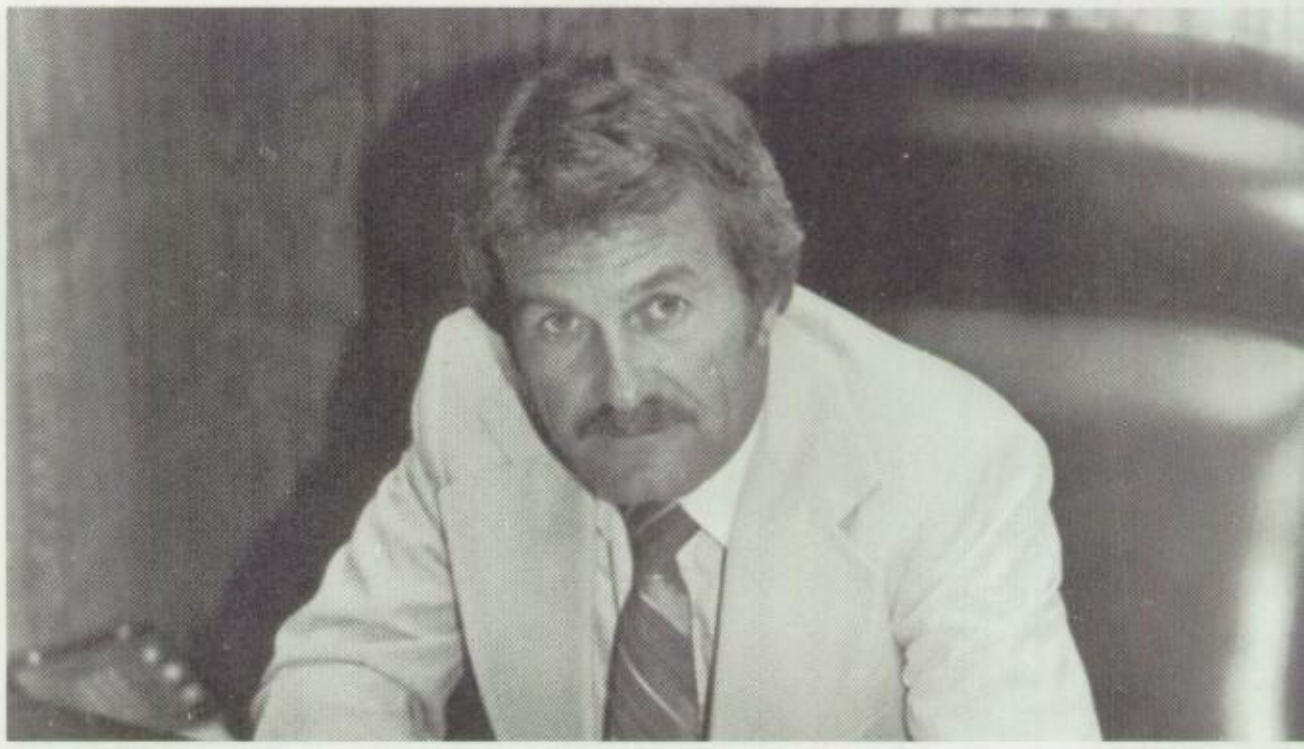
Pickle and Hoss Deleplank help keep the Pirate team in line.

Part-time job

What does an adminstrator, lawyer, dentist, realtor, and businessman have in common? They are school board members and much more.

Active as a volunteer in Poteau's Fire Dept., Steve Garrett is also a member of the Rotary Club. Mr. Garrett, who graduated from Poteau High School, administers to the LeFlore County Nursing Home and has served on the board longer than any other present member. Mike Sullivan, a past member of the House of Representatives, energetically supports the school system as a member and past president of the Quarterback Club. Dr. Ronnal Tobey has initiated and supported many projects for the board. An area dentist, Dr. Tobey also belongs to the Oklahoma Dentist Board. Former mayor Bill Kerbow is business manager for a local utility company. Mr. Kerbow is also a volunteer of the Fire Dept. J. L. Ford was appointed to the Board by the other members to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Tommy Caldwell. Ford, who belongs to the Oklahoma and Nat'l Assoc. of Realtors, is on the Board of Directors at Central National Bank. Dr. Bert Corr, in his fifth year as superintendent, serves as the communication link between these men and the school system.

Superintendent Bert Corr



President Mike Sullivan

Vice-president Bill Kerbow

Full-time load

Clerk Ronnal Tobey

Member J. L. Ford

Member Steve Garrett

They asked for it — they got it. A full-time, part-time job. Elected to serve as school board members, these men committed themselves to the best interest of the school system.

"Not many of us know what they do," said one junior. Although most students aren't familiar with the specifics of their job, the result of their time and efforts affected us all.

Under the school board's direction, the new high school gym was completed, which houses basketball and football locker rooms, as well as a weight room and wrestling practice room.

The addition to the west end of the high school was begun in December. This extra space will provide for a new larger library and the entire science department.

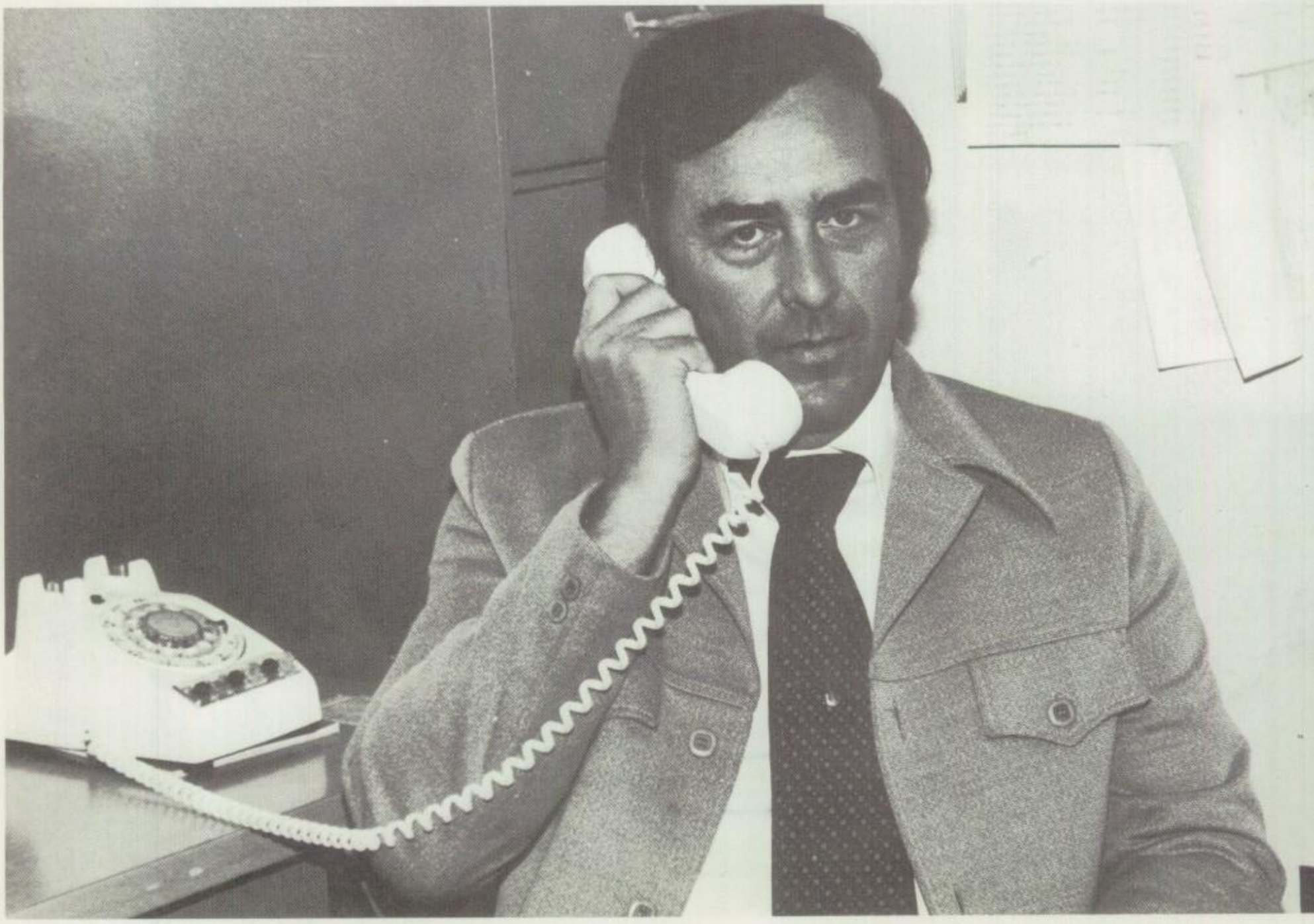
Budgets cannot be overspent, supplies must be maintained and personnel must be kept in line.

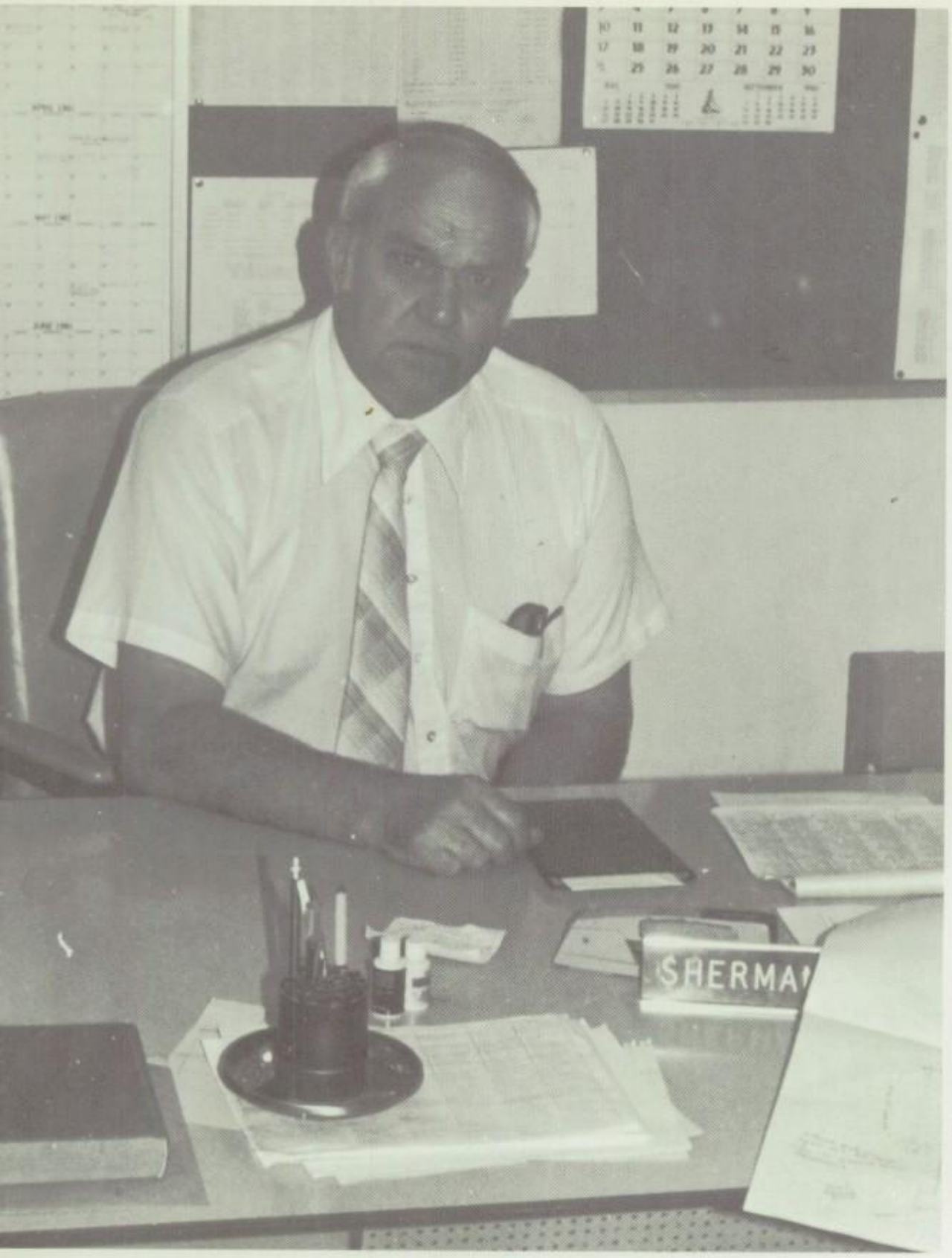
Along with these "trivial" tasks, come the other major duties of the office. This part-time job is a full-time load, for sure.

Bert Corr, Mike Sullivan, Bill Kerbow, Ronnal Tobey, J. L. Ford, and Steve Garrett are all involved, concerned citizens providing facilities and teachers for Poteau's students.

Mr. Reaves, Vice Principal gets tied up on the phone, while checking on absentees.

Office secretaries, Ann Fussell and Ann Daniels see to it that things run smoothly at the front des





Office Staff Keeps PHS Running Smoothly

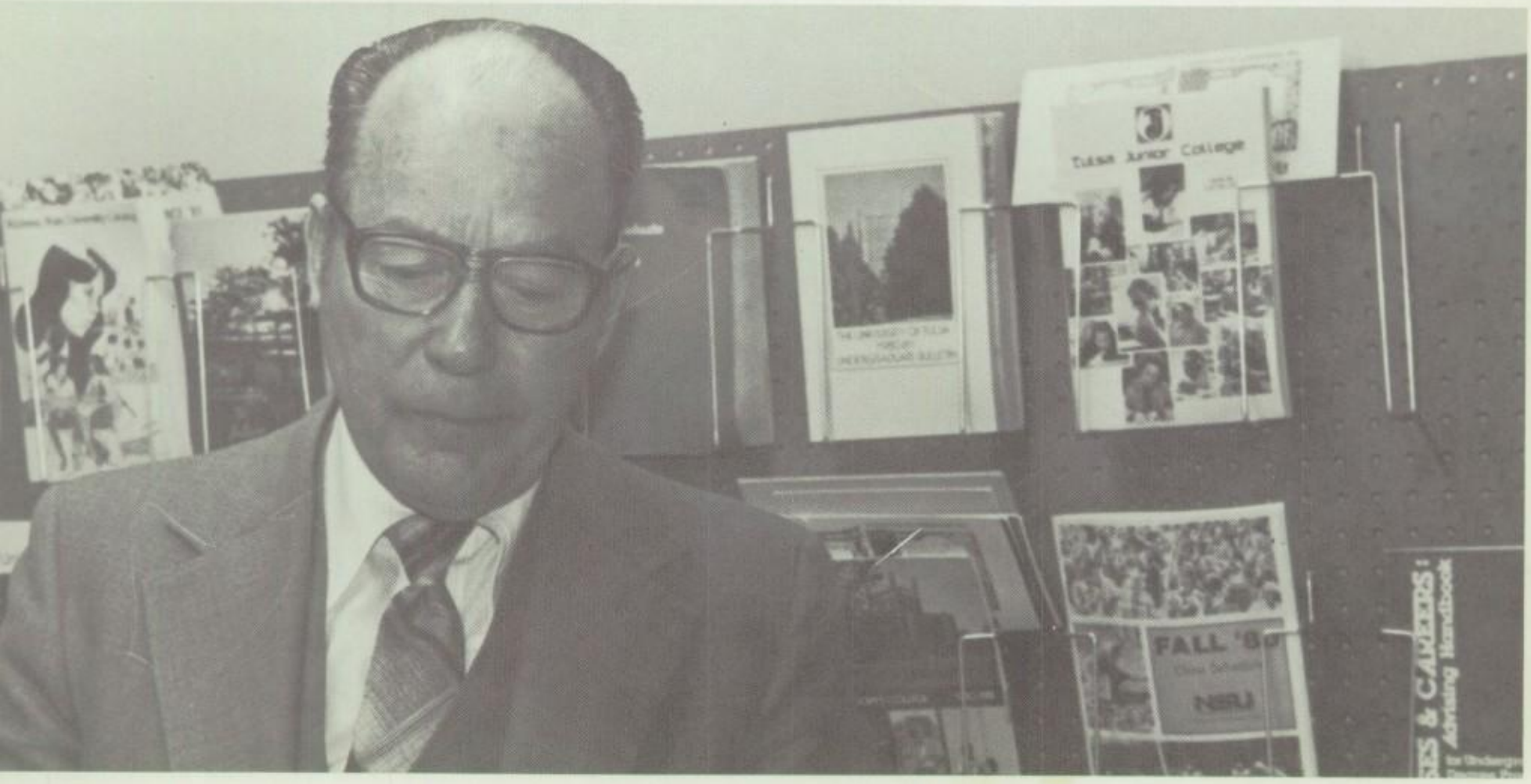
"I'm late because I hit a dog on the highway," claimed one Sr. under interragation by his 1st hour teacher. "My alarm clock was unplugged," feigned another tardy student. "I had a real rough night last night," complained one of our chronic party goers. These excuses that were muttered at the beginning of each day probably didn't work but they sure were creative, considering students had to think them up so early in the morning.

"I got hit by a car on the way back from the Chicken Hut and that's why I'm late from lunch," one very imaginative person recited to a 5th hour teacher. "My lunch made me sick," replied another student.

Through all this chaos the Poteau High School office staff still remained sane. Spending hours checking up on tardy criminals, convicting guilty skippers, or just answering fraud phone calls made by students excusing themselves from class, the PHS office remained eternally busy.

Principal, Mr. Sherman Floyd keeps things in tip top condition at PHS.

Collecting information about different colleges is one of the many jobs, Mr. Wise, counselor takes charge of.



Staffs Provide Foundation

Poteau High School's staff is a very important part of PHS. They keep our campus clean and keep things running smoothly. Our cooks, Reba Harrison, Christine Daniels, Wilma Parker, and Ella Burden spend many hours preparing balanced meals for students. They also supervise the menu for the All-Sports Banquet, band banquet, and many other functions. Clyde Shaw, Tom Oakes, and Orb Francis are the custodians who work long hours to keep our school in tip-top shape. The superintendent's office staff, Margaret Black, Dorothy Cooper, and Don Gowan keep that office organized to lighten the superintendent's work load. These people are just a part of the school system's foundation.

Clyde Shaw and Tom Oakes take time out of their busy schedule to pose for a picture.

Orb Francis, Barbara Dorey, and Kenneth Ferguson keep the Civic Center in good condition.

Kitchen Staff: Reba Harrison, Ella Burden, Christine Daniels and Wilma Parker.

Superintendent's Office Staff: Margaret Black, Dorothy Cooper and Don Gowan.

Carol Spradlin, Tina Merrill, Jeannie Wigham and Melissa Atkins cheer the crowd on to another Red Raider victory.

Tammy Brown, Cindy Marowski, Vicki Lee and Gary Fox ride the bus to their afternoon class at the High School.

Janet Thornton watches eagerly as the raiders race against the clock.

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Above:
Mrs. Nichols class observes various objects in the class.

Tabrina Lenard checks for over-due books in the library.

Academics

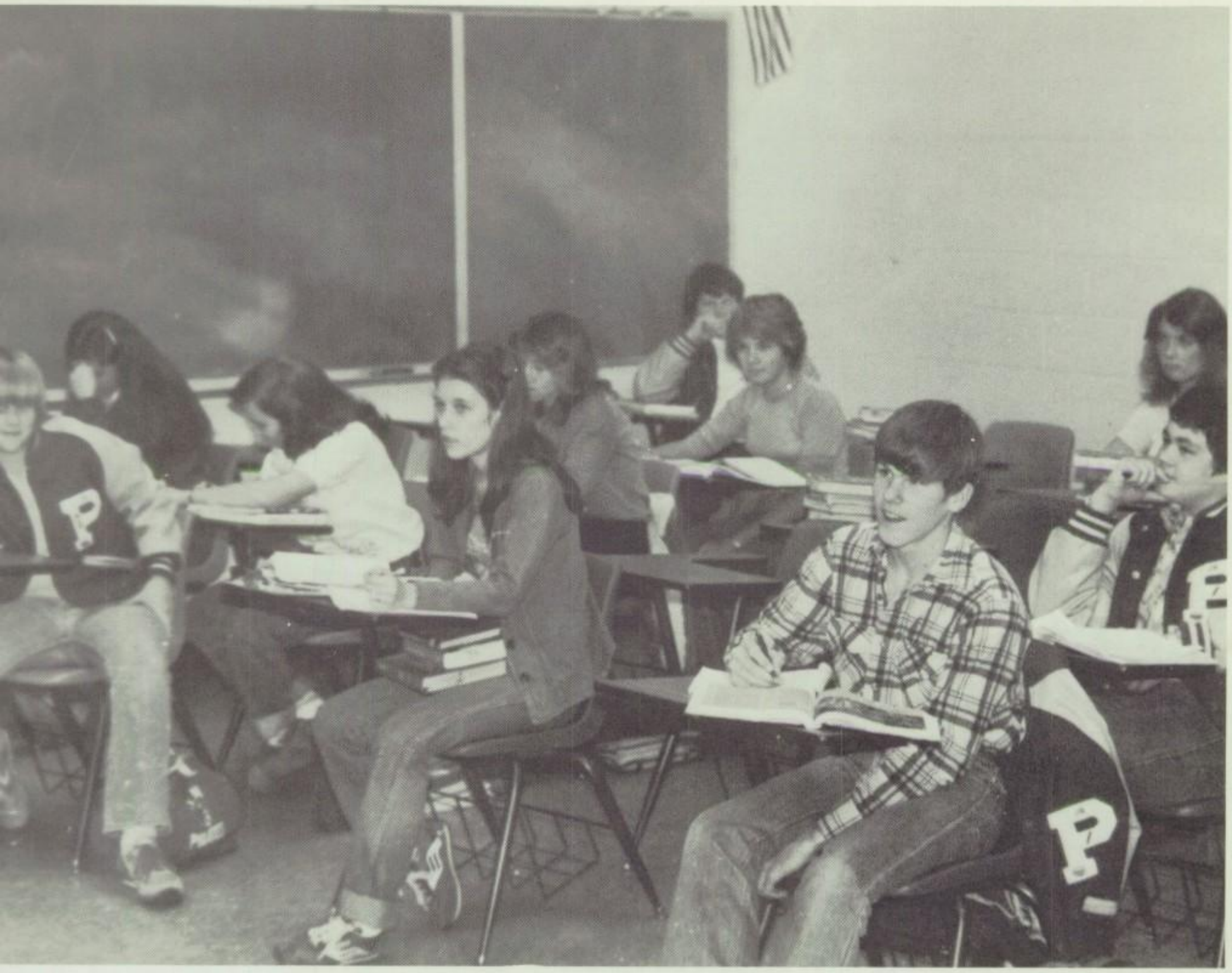
Left:
The Ninth Grade class works hard to finish their assignment before the bell.

Below:
This Eighth Grade class learns the basics of science.

Lisa Rotz and Susanne Wasson work hard to finish their English assignment.

Mark McSpaden looks over the books in the Junior High Library.

Melissa Adkins and Keiko Caldwell do duties as office girls.

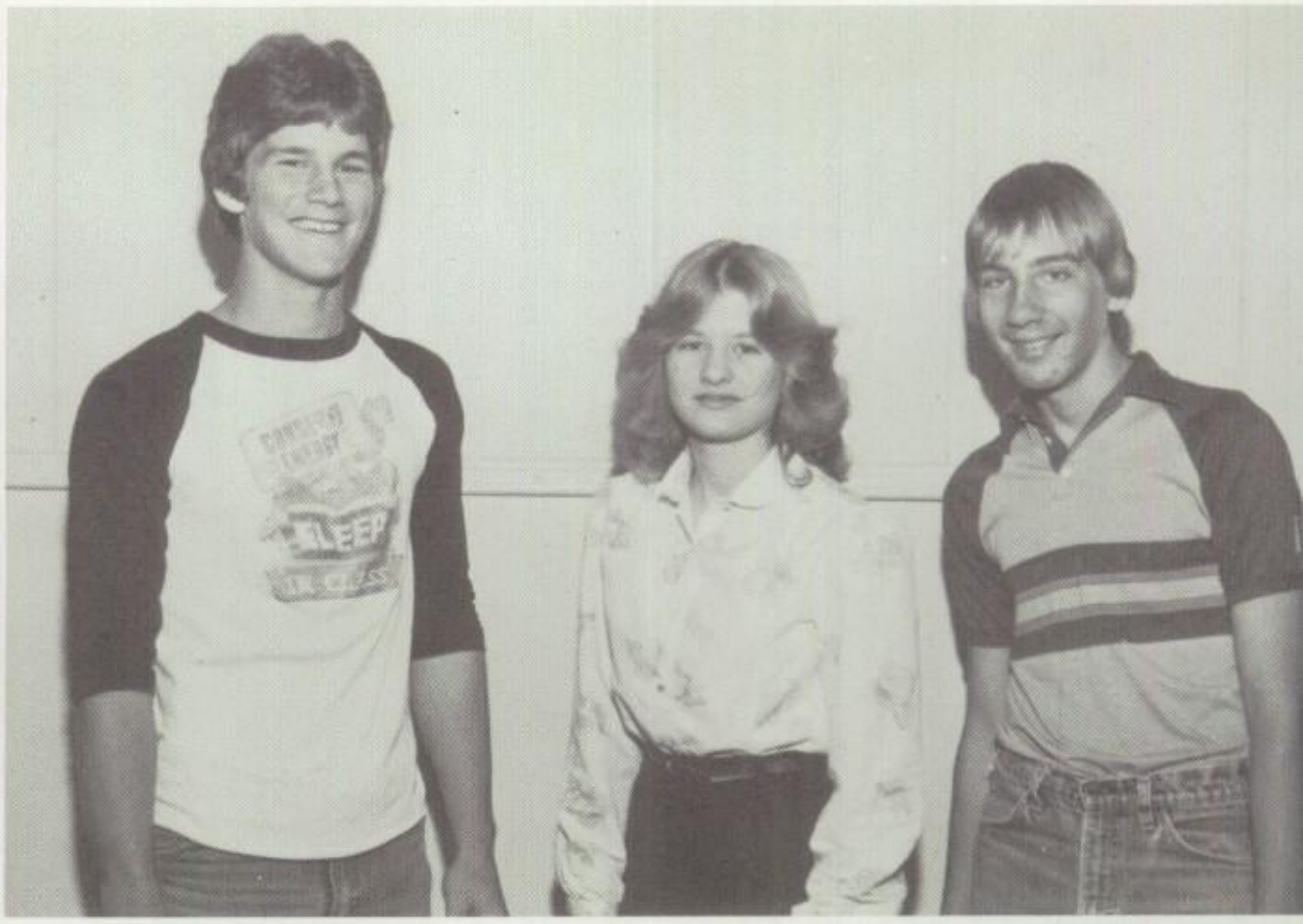


Coach Jobes' ninth grade American History class listens while he explains the chapter

Mr. Thorton explains the methods of basic chemistry.

Ninth Grade Class Officers

Tim Wilson, president, Liz Clay, Vice-president, John Pritchett, secretary-treasurer.



Eighth Grade Class Officers

Keiko Caldwell, reporter, Jeff Turner, president, Sherri Simmons, vice-president.

Seventh Grade Class Officers

Tabatha Ray, secretary, Melissa Myers, vice-president, Rachel Curtis, reporter, Grace Ford, president, seated.

Student Council

Seated left to right: Jeannie Whigham, secretary, Lisa Rotz, president; Andrea Hole, vice-president. Standing: Jeff Johnson, Ruth DeLaRosa, Shena Warren, Dominick Pallone, Myra Davison, Teresa Lenard, Melissa Brown, Treca Smith, Mark Biber.

Honor Society

Row 1: Frank Gideon, Kay Caro, Melissa Brown, Lisa Rotz, Andrea Hole, Jeannie Whigham, Susan Coston, Carol Spradlin, Tina Merrill, Keith Thompson, Brian Roberts. Row 2: Tracy Oakes, Georgia Clark, Danisha Bryant, Jeffrey Turner, Ronald Oehlschlager, Monty Stewart, Beth Embrey, Debby Stanley, Janet Thornton, Susanne Wasson, Charlene McMillin, Sherri Simmons, Jeff Sullivan.

Pep Club

Row 1: Tammy Peck, Brenda Pickle, Melissa Adkins, Carol Spradlin, Jeannie Whigham, Tina Merrill. Row 2: Angie SanMillan, Kennetha McCool, Melissa Myers, Sherri Ray, Emma Battles, Mary Francis, Lisa Walker, Teresa Lenard, Charlotte McCroskey, Stacey Midby, Susan Rachels, Gwen Burk, Ann Garrett. Row 3: Carla Mattox, Carolyn Armstrong, Amy Field, Shawn Whisenhunt, Melissa Plummer, Eva Collins, Robin Willingham, Bonnie Baker, Darla Sawyer, Rachel Curtis, Florrie Warren, Debbie Chavez, Cheryl Tubby, Diane Allen, Charlene McMillin, Sherri Simmons, Stephanie Carbrey. Row 4: Terri LeMaster, Shelly Russell, Bobbi Hackby, Missy Baker, Sheena Warren, Jeanna Thornton, Ellen Davis, Karen Wilson, Shelly Howard, Dena Hornback, Marcy Fussell, Treca Smith, Rebecca Edwards, Diane Robertson, Tabrina Lenard, Angie Smedley.

9th Grade Girls

Back Row: Coach Thomas, Liz Clay, Mellisa Adkins, Debby Stanley, Darla Shurm, Patricia Easley, Susanne Wasson, Janet Thornton, Donna Burden, Lisa Walker. Front Row: Margaret Bishop, Shaunti Rounseville, Florrie Warren, Stacy Midby, Vivian Weaver, Lisa Rotz.

8th Grade Girls

Back Row: Renee Wilson, Bobbye Yandell, Stella Odell, Charlene McMillan, Myra Davison, Susan Coston, Melissa Brown, Coach Free. Front Row: Retha McCoy, Jamie Morris, Sherrie Simmons, Andrea Hole, Shelly Russel.

7th Grade Girls

Back Row: Coach Hemphill, Jeanna Thornton, Treca Smith, Ann Garrett, Rachel Curtis, Denise Stanley, Melissa Baker, Shelly Howard, Sherri Ray. Front Row: Marcy Fussell, Karen Wilson, Melissa Plummer, Tabatha Ray, Shena Warren, Kennetha McCool.

9th Grade Basketball

Back Row: Coach Hemphill, Marvin Hornback, Dominic Pallone, Jason Bowles, Tim Wilson, Clifton DeHorney, Rick Wells, Tony Ramsey, Jim Holstead, Rocky McConnell. Front Row: Brian Free, Pat Gorgas, Lamar Forest, Jimmy Landherr, Mark Foreman, Donny Dowdy.

8th Grade Basketball

Back Row: Coach Free, Ronnie Oeschlager, Jeff Roberts, Jeff Price, Skip Baxter, Jeff Turner, Pat Sheperd. Front Row: Jeff Denis, David Kitchens, Brian Roberts, Bobby Ray, Patric Lafevers.

7th Grade Basketball

Back Row: Coach Free, Brian Tustin, John Stewart, Robert Wasson, David Thompson, David Pickle, Jeff Reed, Randy Hayes. Second Row: Craig Smith, Mark Biber, Keith Spangler, Steve Hughes, Larry Murry, Brian Shore, Todd Wright, Mark Kinnman. Front Row: Timmie Dale, Tim Gifford, Jeff Johnson, Allen Patton, Cameron Flint.

9th Football

Seated: Bill Dominic, Joe Rice, Larry Stivers, Lamar Forrest, Mark Foreman, Brian Cate, Charles Darke, Leon Armstrong, Donny Dowdy, Jeff Jackson. 2nd Row: Everett Plummer, Bryan Hancock, Robert Wellman, Tim Wilson, Clifton DeHorney, Mike McVay, Marvin Hornback, Eddie Reece, Greg Welton, Bret Tustin. 3rd Row: Dominick Pallone, Rocky McConnell, Dewayne Gregory, Jeff Branch, Von Smith, John Pritchett.

8th Football

Seated: Lyndell Gregory, Sean Forrest, Chris Bryan, Jim Reece, David Kitchens, Patrick Lefevers, Jeff Davis, Kenny Thompson. Row 2: Pat Shepard, Brian Roberts, Bobby Ray, Frank Gideon, Ronnie Oehlschlager, Skip Baxter, Troy Beeson, Rhett Garner, Michael Warden. Row 3: Keith Thompson, Steven Abshere, Jim Walls, Chuch Meredith, Jeff Price, Jeff Sullivan, Jeff Roberts, Greg Ellis, Jeff Turner.

7th Football

Row 1: Donnie Wise, Micheal Burgess, Keith Marquez, Phillip Hamlin, Allen McDaniel, Michael Ritter, Keith Spangler, Tim Wejs, Tim Gifford, Allen Patton, Cameron Flint, Shane Stover. Row 2: Timmy Dale, Bob Couch, Steven Hughes, Tim Rentro, Randy Hayes, Brian Shore, Mark Biber, Sterling Warren, Jeff Reed, Todd Wright, Greg Qualls, Larry Loomis, Jeff Johnson. Row 3: Eddie Trujillo, Charles Ralls, Kevin Knight, Bryan Tustin, Joe Woltering, David Thompson, Robert Wasson, Eddie Mason, David Pickle, Craig Smith.

Science Club

Row 1: Micheal Brown, Keith Marquez, Eddie Trujillo, Phillip Hamlin, Steven Hughes, Chris Thompson, Grace Ford, Todd Wright, Jeff Johnson, Frank Pallone. Row 2: Lisa Rotz, Sterling Warren, Barbra McClure, Amy Field, Brent Albert, Tammy Daniels, Russell Henson, Mary McBride, Ruth DeLaRosa, Dana Lynn, Margaret Bishop, Tina Merrill, Jody Adams, Donny Dowdy. Row 3: Melissa Baker, Denise Stanley, Michele Caldwell, Florrie Warren, Shawn Whisenhunt, David Thompson, Terri LeMaster, Frenk Troutman, Danisha Bryant, Gary Fox, Kenneth Henson, Brian Cate, Tammy Brown, Gary Moore, Leon Armstrong, Georgia Clark. Row 4: Monty Stewert, Dewayne Gregory, Clifton DeHorney, John Pritchett, Jason Bowles, Melissa Adkins, Dena Hornback, Susan Rachels, Christina Lindstrom, Janet Thornton, Susanne Wasson, Debby Stanley, Brian Free, Gina Rodriquez, Christy Graves.

Chorus

Front Row: Jeanna Thornton, Sherri Ray, Tina Hastings, Lisa Walker, Rebecca Edwards. Row 2: Teresa Lenard, John Thomas, Christina Lindstrom, Rocky McConnell, Kaelin Hill.

Science Club

Row 1: Jeannie Whigham, Andrea Hole, Jackie Greene, Doreen Monroe, Tabrina Lenard, Jeff Caldwell, Ella Faulk, Tina Berry, Tracy McCoy, Brian Roberts, Keith Thompson, Skip Baxter, Troy Beeson, Sheri Robinette. Row 2: Kelly Oakes, John Thomas, Chuck Meredith, Mike Gray, Steven Abshere, Tim Greene, Ollie LeGrande, Lisa Fennell, Melissa Brown, Tonaa Slote, Myra Davison, Jeff Sullivan, Jeff Roberts, Lisa Taylor, Jim Walls, Rhett Garner, Patrick Nelson. Row 3: Brenda Pickle, Walter Scott, Brad Hall, Ellen Davis, Kenneth Self, Johnny Rains, Kieko Caldwell, Patrick LaFevers, Jeff Dennis, Eric Gallant, Kirk Walker, David Woodruff, Joey Beger.

Junior High Band: Row 1: Kaelin Hill, Melissa Brown, Keiko Caldwell, Andrea Hole, Susan Coston. Row 2: Terri Walden, Randy Hayes, Andy Hic Shannon Hammers, Karen Wilson, Diane Allen, Amy Field, Kathleen Morris. Row 3: Joe Woltering, Michael Ritter, Tim Renfro, Brian Shore, La Loomis, Lisa Taylor, Rhonda Stoughton, Tim Greene, Frank Gideon, Jamie Morris, Walter Scott. Seated: John Childers, David Thompson, Ste Odell, Donnie Wise, Shelly Russell, Grace Ford, Cindy Coston, Evan Gallant, Rachel Curtis, Mark McSpadden, Rodney Rollison, Ramona Gullick, P Thomas, Craig Smith, David Woodruff, David Pickle, Donnie Ellis, Keith Marquez, Burl Faulk, Pat Shepherd, Chris Thompson, Keith Spangl Michael Brown, Orville Hess. Standing: Sheena Warren, Jeff Reed, Tabatha Ray, Denise Stanley, Jeff Dennis, Stephanie Kilgore, Chris Bryan, Sha Whisenhunt, Todd Wright, Phillip Hamlin, Robin Willingham, Ellen Davis, Beverly Cox, Patrick LaFevers, Ollie LaGrand, Tammy Daniels, Eddie T jillo, Andrienne Gray, Robert Wasson, Barbara McClure, Mike Burgess, Angela Baggs, Brent Albert, Tabrina Lenard, Brian Roberts, Lisa Aque Yvette Dwillis.

Basketball Homecoming Royalty: Tony Ramsey, Stacey Midby, Rick Wells, Debbie Stanley, Liz Clay, and Brian Free.

Basketball Royalty

Tony Ramsey, Stacy Midby, Ricky Wells, Debby Stanley, Liz Clay, and Brian Free.

Wrestling Royalty

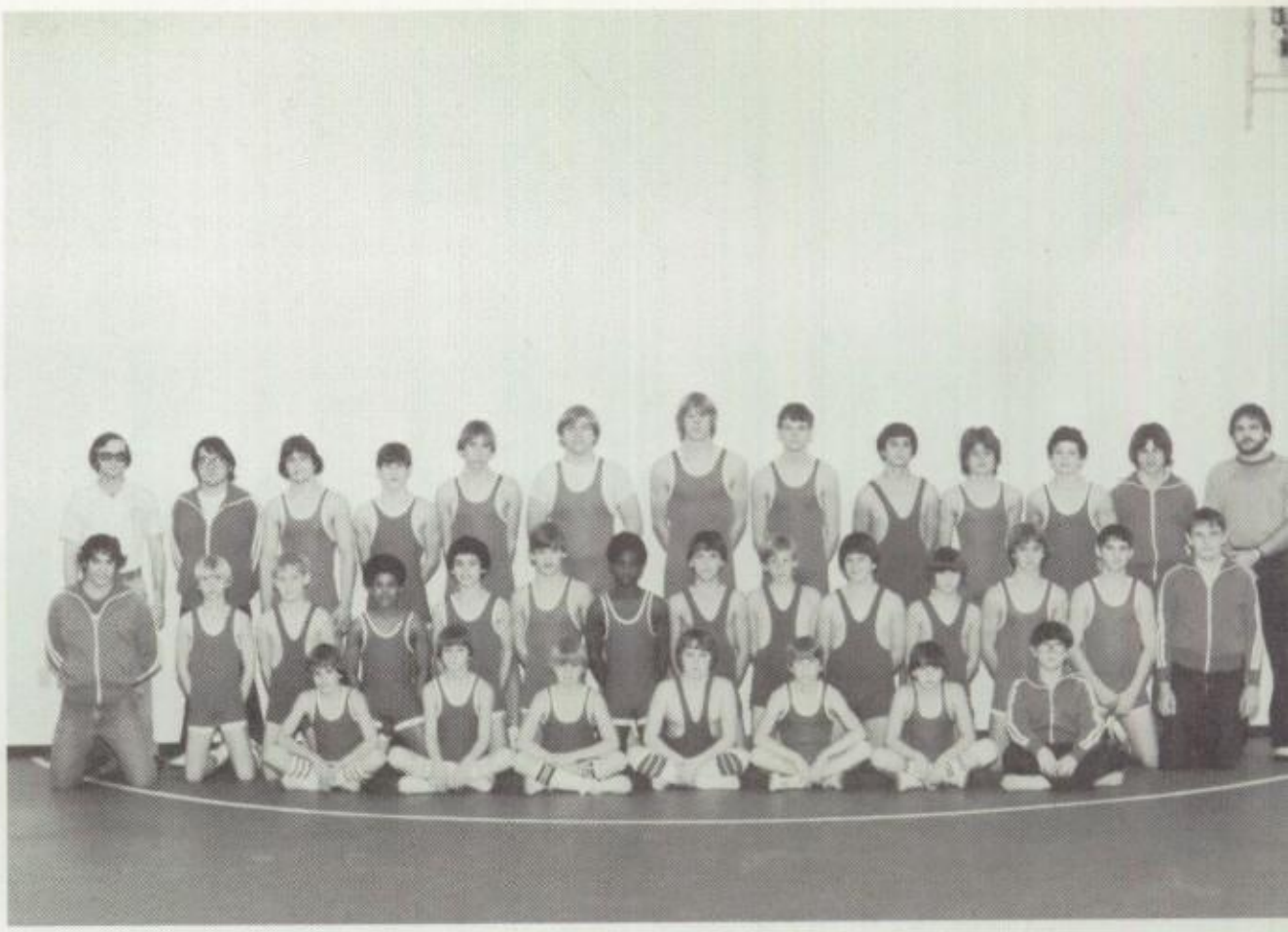
Brian Cate, Jennifer Shipp, Patrick Sowder, Janet Thornton, Dana Lynn, Damon Brown.

Football Royalty

Jeff Jackson, Susanne Wasson, Brian Tustin, Donna Burden, Tammy Peck, Von Smith, Teresa Lenard, Patrick Sowder.

Wrestlers

Back Row, l to r: Coach Hornbuckle, Jim Walls, Von Smith, Brian Cate, John Pritchett, Mike McVay, Landon Pickle, Robert Wellman, Joe Woltering, Damon Brown, Rhett Garner, Creg Ellis, Coach Mosley. 2nd Row: Eddie Reece, Tim Wejs, Tim Renfro, Sean Forrest, Chris Bryan, Leon Armstrong, Sterling Warren, Jim Reece, Charles Ralls, Kevin Knight, Greg Qualls, Pat Sowder, Mike Warden, Check Meredith. Front Row: Shane Stover, Michael Ritter, Allen McDaniel, Phillip Hamlin, Kenny Thompson, Donnie Wise, Bob Couch.



Wrestling Royalty

Back Row, Left to Right: Brian Cate, Pat Sowder, Damon Brown. Front Row: Jennifer Shipp, Janet Thorton, Dana Lynn.

Football Royalty

Back Row, Left to Right: Pat Sowder, Bret Tustin, Jeff Jackson, Von Smith. Front Row: Teresa Lenard, Donna Burden, Suzanne Wasson, Tammy Peck.

Basketball Royalty

Front Row: Liz Clay, Debbie Stanley, Stacy Midby. 2nd Row: Brian Free, Rick Wells, Tony Ramsey.

Mixed Chorus

Row One: Sherri Ray, Kim Bradley, Jeanna Thorton, Kennetha McCool, Teresa Brown, Chuck Eastom. Row Two: Rosalind Newby, Martha Thompson, Darla Sawyer, Kelly Collins, Bonnie Baker, Tina Hart. Row Three: Carolyn Armstrong, Melissa Myers, Shelly Howard, Tina Hastings, Laura McClain, Christina Gipson, Lisa Crosswell, Frank Pallone.

Chorus

Row One: Tina Armstrong, Kevin Ritter, Danny Seay, Rhonda Estep, Florrie Warren, Teresa Lenard, Tammy Peck, Lisa Walker, Kaelin Hill, Lisa Rennell, Tracy McCoy, Rhonda Stoughton, Tena Ray. 2nd Row: Paul Thomas, Rocky McConnell, Renee Wilson, Khristina Lindstrom, Cheryl Tubby, Debbie Chavez, Marie Spiller, Pam Reed, Lisa Taylor, Bobbye Yandell, Melva Green, Jackie Green, Lisa Helton, Charlotte Wilson, Becky McBride. Row 3: Brenda Pickle, David Cook, Diane Robertson, Elisha Marquez, Retha McCoy, Sandra Graham, Tina Berry, Eva Collins, Carla Ritter, Dava Johnson, Rebecca Edwards, Terri McCoy, Susie Franklin, Robin Neeley, Teresa Perkins.

Junior High Student Life

Many Freshman girls enjoy their lunch break at the school store.

Brenda Pickle cheers the ninth grade Red Raider Football Team on to another victory.

Ronny Oehlschlager tries his talents on the pinball machine.

Many Freshman girls enjoy their lunch at the school store.

Allen Tolbert steels a kiss from Ruthy DeLaRosa while her friends look on.

9th grade girls hurry to finish their lunch on their short lunch period.

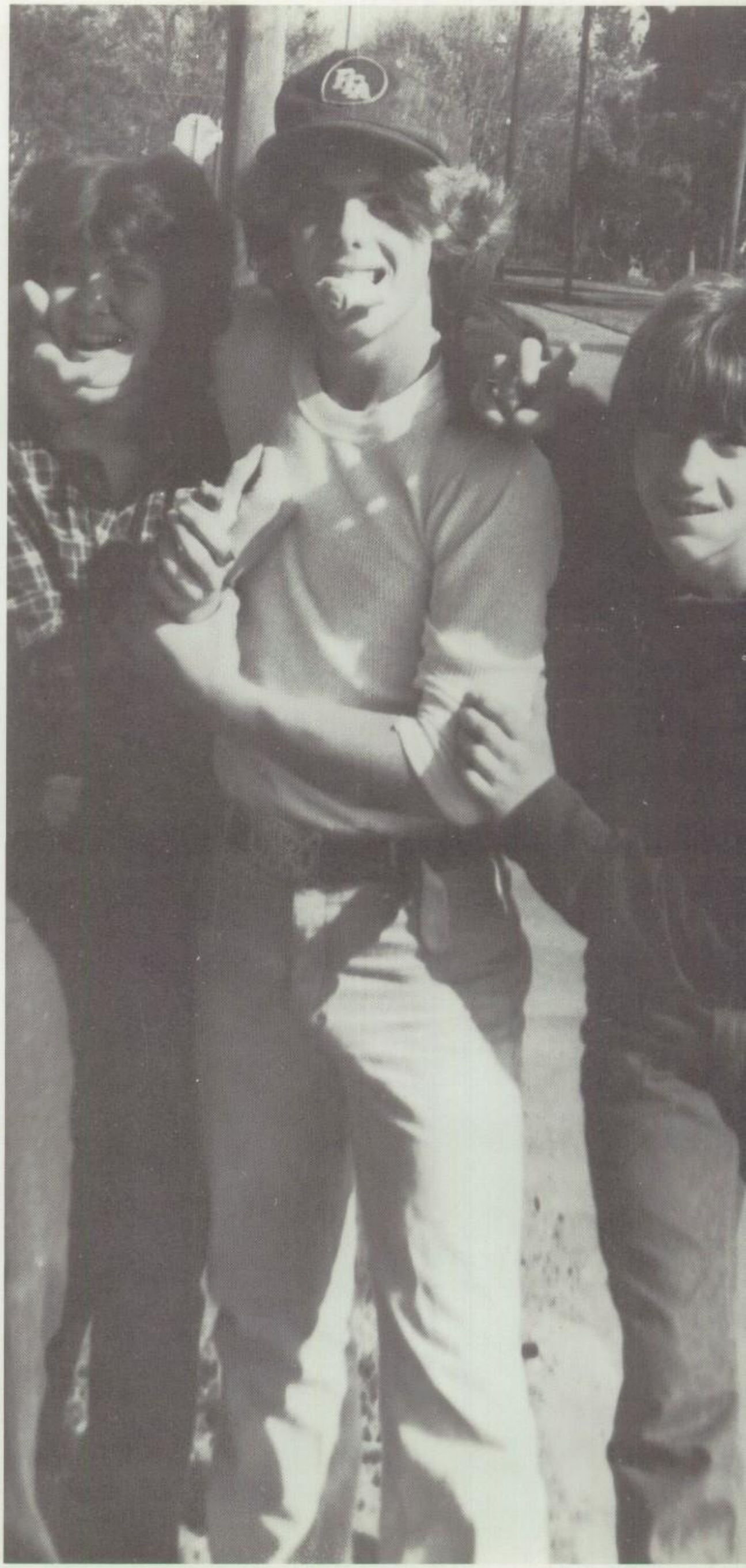
Junior High Students Experience New Responsibilities

Entering Jr. High is exciting for seventh graders. They experienced new responsiblities and gained a new maturity. They had more freedom than in grade school. Many seventh graders got excited about going to the first pep assembly. The minute they came out of the assembly they were so excited they talked about it for days.

Eighth graders found out what it was like to be stuck in the middle.

The Jr. High had staggered lunch hours where seventh graders ate first and the eighth and ninth graders were together. Even with this break, the school store was still total chaos.

The freshmen, however, were a different breed. They enjoyed being "big men on campus". As the year progressed freshmen began to get excited about moving up to the High School, but were apprehensive about resuming the low position.



Freshmen, Teresa Lenard, Mike Corbin, and Brett Tustin goof-off during lunch hour.

Three Jr. High girls enjoy a leisurely lunch hour.

Tammy Peck shows her spirit at a Jr. High Pep Assembly.

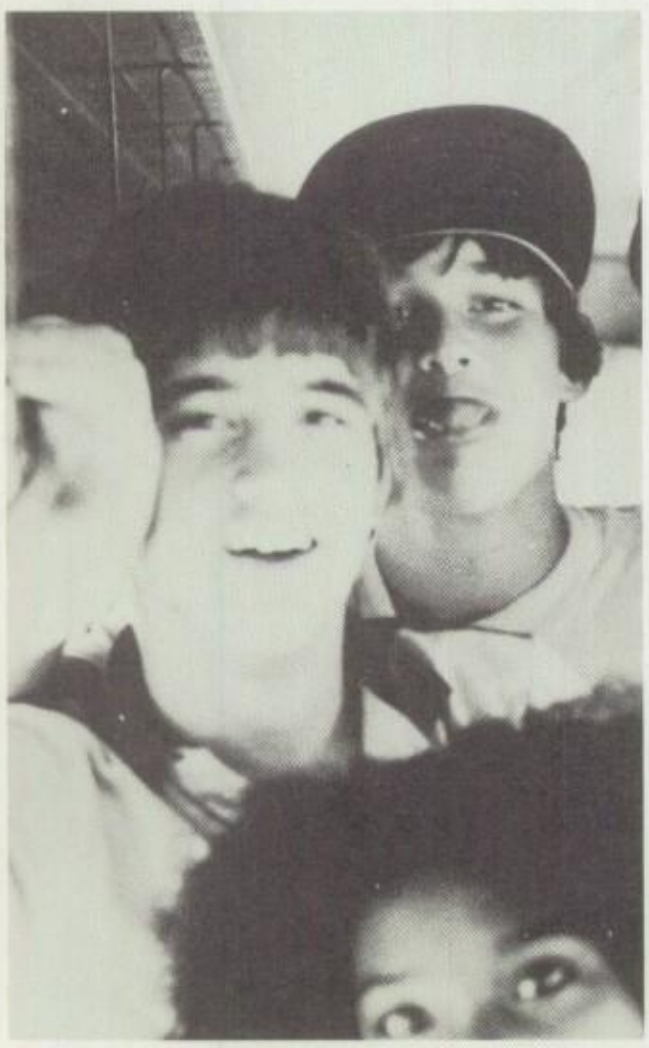
8th grade students pay attention to the film.

Many Jr. High students watch as Mr. Branscum opens the Pep Assembly.

Coach Thomas gives the ninth grade girls last minute instructions.

Jr. High track boys take a breather and check their time.

Cheryl Tubby stands and watches the cheerleaders as it gets closer to try-outs.



Brett Tustin and Alan Tolbert cut up on their way home.

Teresa Lenard questions which names to mark for next year's PHS cheerleaders.

Many Jr. High students ride the bus to the High School for after-school activities.

Pat Sowder and Keith Thompson relax after a long run.

We've Come a Long Way

BY SUSANNE WASSON

We've come a long way from playing softball at recess in grade school, to parties, dances, and staying out late.

In seventh grade we survived "trashcanning" and we made it through the halls and rickety stairs of the old building for almost a year.

And we were the first class in the new junior high building. That was quite a change from the second-floor classes in the old building, which were always too hot, too cold, or flooded.

Then came our eighth grade year. Stuck in the middle. We had many different activities: playing football, basketball, wrestling and running track, and chorus, art, shop and band.

Well, we finally made it — our ninth grade year. This class will be the last ninth grade class to have a graduation; the junior high will be a middle school next year and the ninth grade will be at the high school. So we won't be the low men on the totem pole next year after all.

So we, the 1981 ninth grade class, would just like to say, "Thanks for the memories."

Jody Adams
Melissa Adkins
Leon Armstrong
Tina Armstrong
David Baker
Hope Baker

Shawn Barney
Brandy Baxter
Margaret Bishop
Jason Bowles
Jeff Branch
Charla Branson

Polly Brightman
Damon Brown
Tammy Brown
Danisha Bryant
Bobby Bullington
Donna Burden

Gwen Burk
Christina Burton
Karen Caro
Phil Casteel
Brian Cate
Debbie Chavez

Tina Christenberry
Georgia Clark
Liz Clay
Tony Collings
Marilyn Copeland
Michael Corbin

Junior Crase
Clifton DeHorney
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Bill Dominic
Donny Dowdy
Charles Drake

Patricia Easley
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LeMar Forrest
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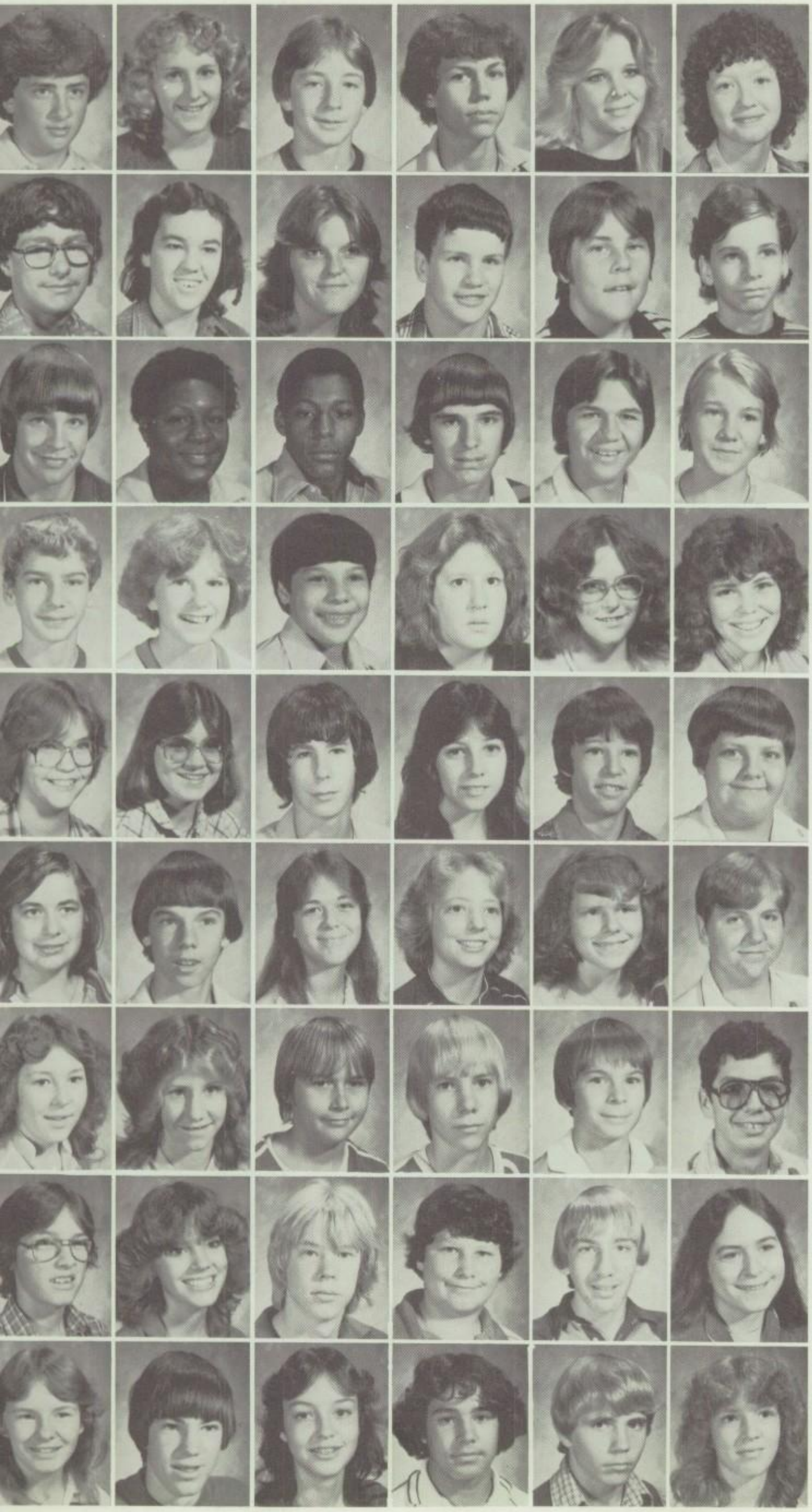


Kevin Fox
Mary Francis
Brian Free
Patrick Gorgas
Sandra Graham
Christy Graves

Dewayne Gregory
Debbie Gullick
Tammy Hammer
Bryan Hancock
Bobby Heavener
Kenneth Henson

Jim Holstead
Dena Hornback
Marvin Hornback
Rick Humphries
Jeff Jackson
Jimmy Landherr

Ricky Lee
Vicky Lee
Johnny Leflore
Linda Leggett
Terri LeMaster
Teresa Lenard

Kristina Lindstrom
Dana Lynn
Andy Marowski
Elisha Marquez
Nathan Marshall
Jimmy Mattox

Mary McBride
Rocky McConnell
Terri McCoy
Charlotte McCroskey
Debbie McElhaney
Mike McVay

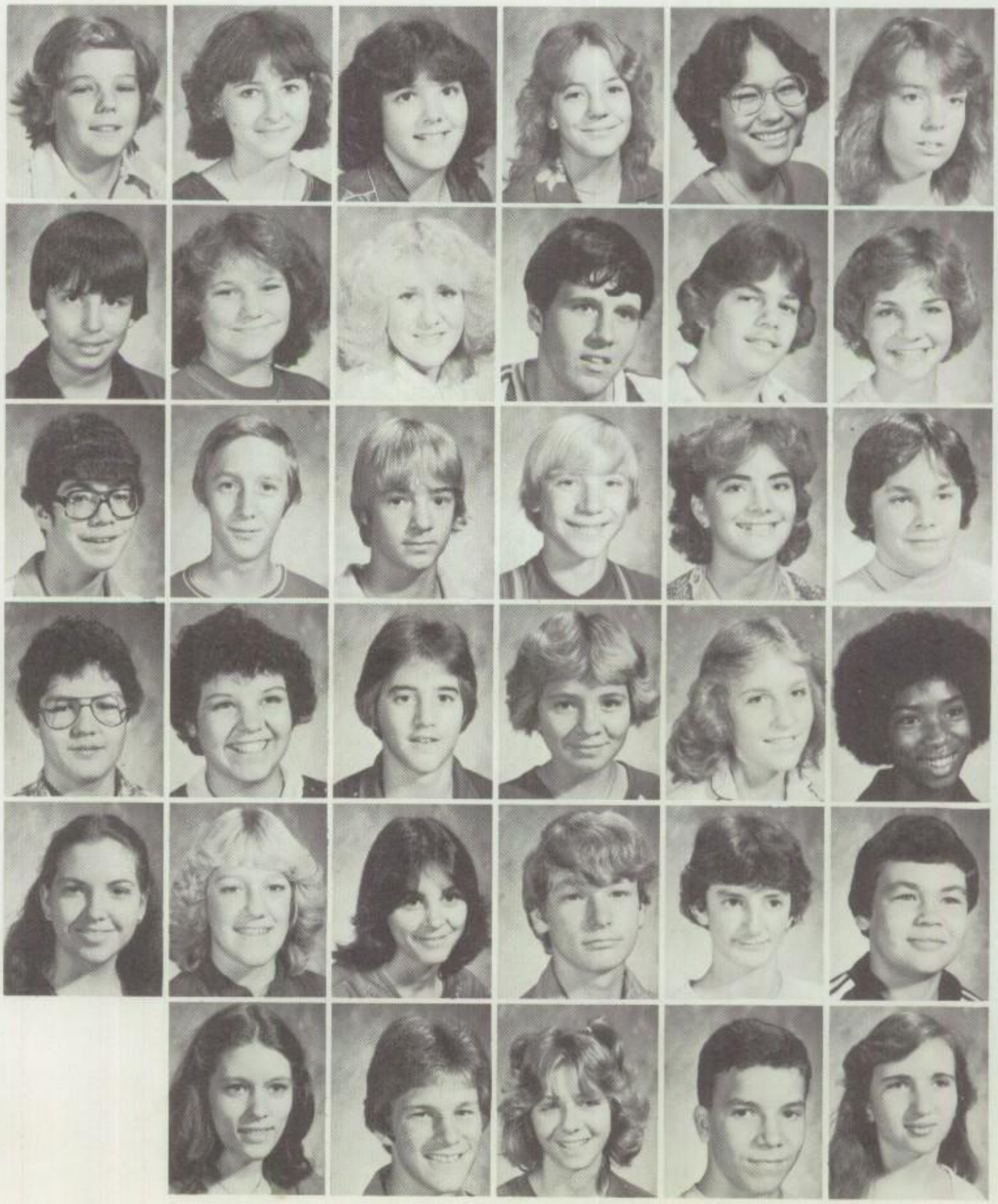
Tina Merrill
Stacey Midby
Dean Montgomery
Gary Moore
David Odom
Dominick Pallone

Kenny Peck
Tammy Peck
Landon Pickle
Everett Plummer
John Pritchett
Susan Rachels

Lisa Rains
Tony Ramsey
Tena Ray
Eddie Reece
Foe Rice
Rhonda Rice

Ninth Grade

John Pritchett, Gina Rodriguez, Mike Corbin, Jeff Jackson, Bret Tustin, and Von Smith enjoy their lunch hour at the School Store.



Kevin Ritter
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Gina Rodriquez
Lisa Rotz
Shanti Rounsavell
Pam Shannon

Ricky Shaw
Darla Shrum
Carol Spradlin
Anthony Smallwood
Von Smith
Debbie Stanley

Monty Stewart
Larry Stiver
Pat Sowder
Russell Tanner
Janet Thornton
Allen Tolbert

Frank Troutman
Cheryl Tubby
Bret Tustin
Pam Underwood
Lisa Walker
Florie Warren

Jerrie Warren
Susanne Wasson
Vivian Weaver
Robert Wellman
Rick Wells
Greg Welton

Rhonda Whitehorn
Timmy Wilson
Pam Woltering
Joe Worley
Julie Wright

Mack Schmidt is looking through the large selection of non-fiction books at Pansy Kidd Junior High Library.

Steven Abshere
Lisa Aguero
Dawn Bailey
Emma Battles
Skip Baxter
Loren Baxter

Troy Beeson
Joey Beger
Tina Berry
Linda Brown
Melissa Brown
Christopher Bryan

Marty Butler
Ann Caldwell
Jeff Caldwell
Keiko Caldwell
Heather Clark
Eva Collins

Ann Connaughton
David Cook
Machelle Corbin
Susan Coston
Sissy Crase
Ellen Davis

Myra Davison
Jeff Dennis
Sheila Dunigan
Yvette Dwillis
Rebekah Edwards
Greg Ellis

Ella Faulk
Lisa Fennell
Rodney Ford
Sean Forrest

Eighth Grade

Melissa Brown, Myra Davison and Sherrie Simmons enjoy eating lunch up town.

Suzy Franklin
Evan Gallant
Rhett Garner
Paul Gee
Frank Gideon
Adrienne Gray

Mike Gray
Jackie Green
Melva Green
Timothy Greene
Lyndell Gregory
Billy Gullick

Leibchen Griffin
Ramona Gullick
Brad Hall
Tommy Hammers
Lisa Helton
Tammie Henson

Kaelin Hill
Andrea Hole
Bobbi Huckaby
Ryan Humphries
Larry Howard
Bryan James

Dava Johnson
Stacy Johnson
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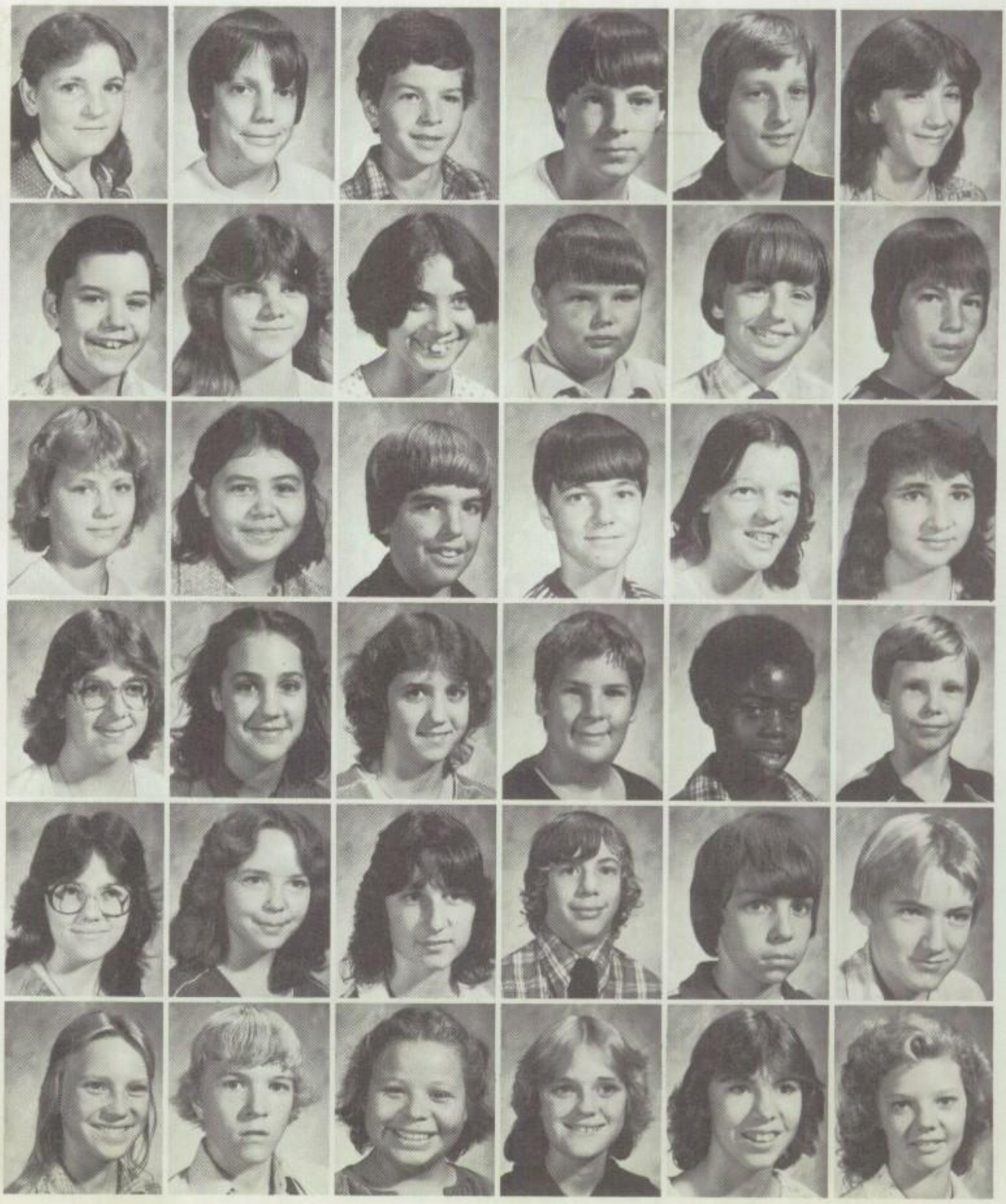

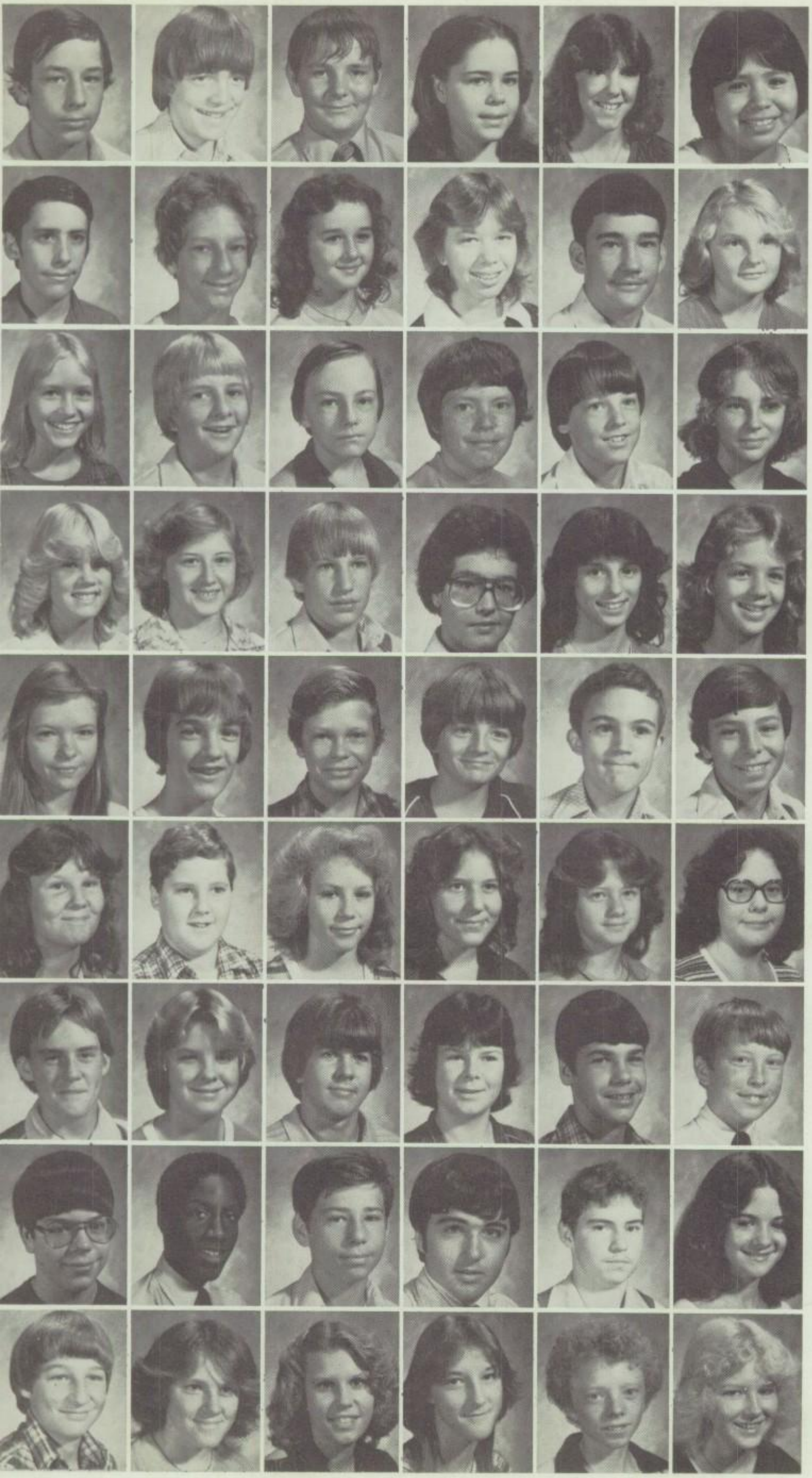

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Chuck Meredith
Doreen Monroe
Jamie Morris
Kathleen Morris

Patrick Nelson
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Ronald Oehlschlager
Lisa Perkins

Brenda Pickle
Jeffrey Price
Johnny Rains
Bobby Ray
Jimmy Reece
Pam Reed

Robin Reed
Carla Ritter
Brian Roberts
Jeffrey Roberts
Sheri Robinette
Shelly Russell

Donna Rust
Scott Satterfield
Mack Schmidt
Walter Scott
Danny Seay
Kenneth Self

Elizabeth Shannan
Patrick Shepherd
Sherri Simmons
Tonya Slote
Michelle Smedley
Marie Spiller

Ron Starr
Rhonda Stoughton
Jeff Sullivan
Lisa Taylor
Keith Thompson
Kenny Thompson

Paul Thomas
Jeff Turner
Kirk Walker
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Mike Warden
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Robert Williams
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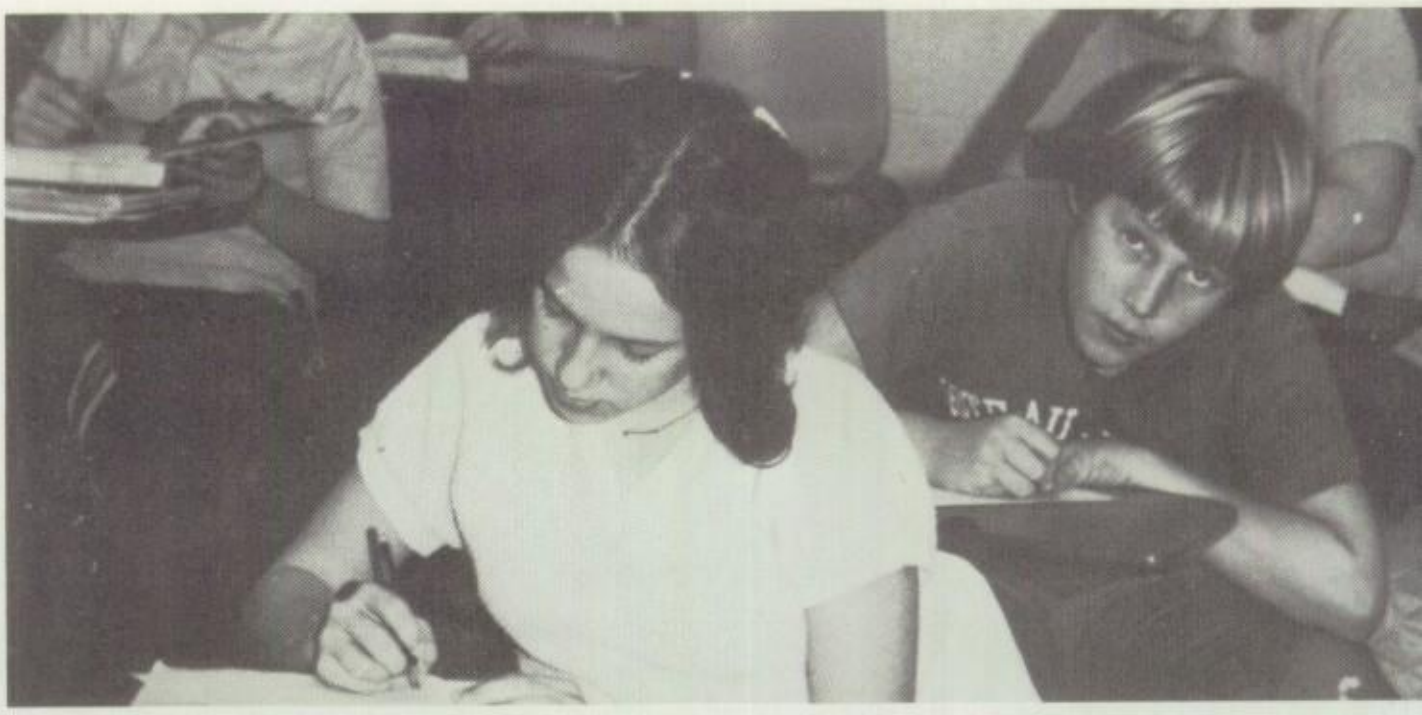
Seventh Grade



Carolyn Armstrong and Jeff Reed, work diligently to finish their class assignments.

Brent Albert
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Carolyn Armstrong
Beverly Arter
Bonnie Baker
Ketan Bhakta

Danny Billy
Michael Brown
Teresa Brown
Angela Baggs
Melissa Baker
Mark Biber

Kimberly Bradley
Mike Burgess
Michelle Cantwell
Stephanie Carbrey
Cleve Carter
Aldie Chasteen

John Childers
Kelly Collins
Cindy Coston
Bob Couch
Lisa Crosswell
Rachel Curtis

Beverly Cox
Brian Cox
Timmy Dale
Tammy Daniels
Donnie Ellis
Kathy Estes

Burl Fauld
Amy Field
Cameron Flint
Grace Ford
Mary Ford
Regina Fuller

Marcy Fussell
Ann Garrett
Tim Gifford
Christena Gipson
Phillip Hamlin
Shannon Hammers

Tina Hart
Tina Hastings
Randy Hayes
Russell Henson
Orville Hess
Andy Hicks

Stanley Hooper
Lillian Hopkins
Loyd Hopkins
Gina Houtz
Shelly Howard
Steven Hughes

Eddie James
Jeffrey Johnson
Stephanie Kilgore
Mark Kinman
Kevin Knight
Larry Loomis

Keith Marquez
Eddie Mason
Carla Mattox
Laura McClain
Barbara McClure
Kennetha McCool

Alan McDaniel
Melissa Moore
Larry Murray
Melissa Myers
Rosalind Newby
Starlett Odell

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Greg Phillips
David Pickle
Eli Pickle

Melissa Plummer
Greg Qualls
Charles Ralls
Sherrie Ray
Tabitha Ray
Jeffrey Reed

Timothy Renfro
Kevin Repass
Robin Rice
Elliott Ritter
Michael Ritter
Rodney Rollison

Angie SanMillar
Darla Sawyer
Annetta Sears
Michael Seymour
Kenneth Shipley
Brian Shore

Angela Smedley
Craig Smith
Roxanne Smith
Treca Smith
Keith Spangler
Denise Stanley

John Stewart
Shane Stover
Audra Tallant
Chris Thompson
David Thompson
Martha Thompson

Jeanna Thornton
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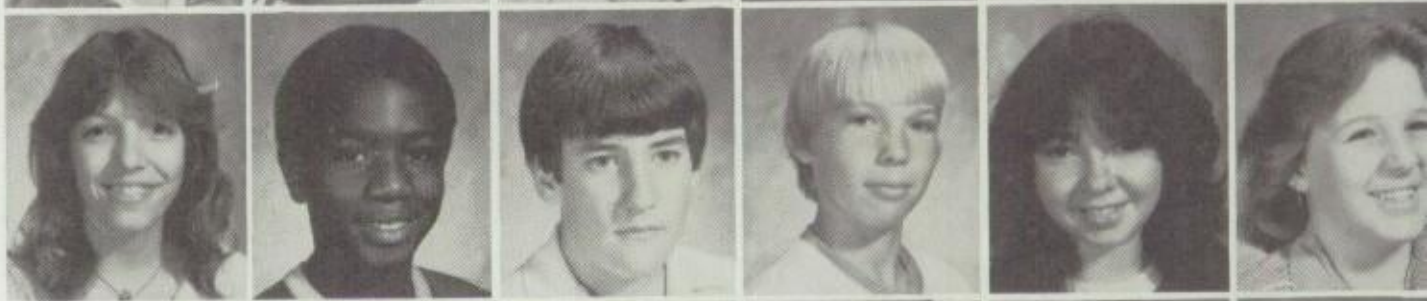

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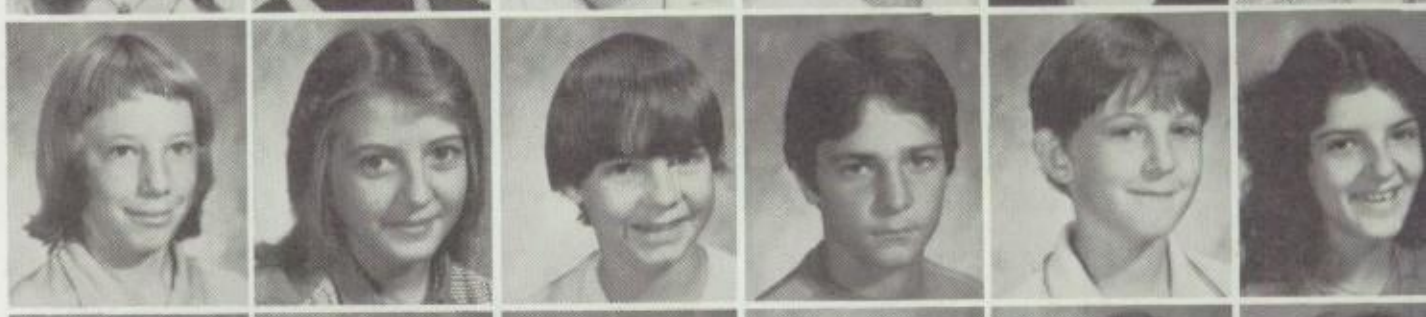

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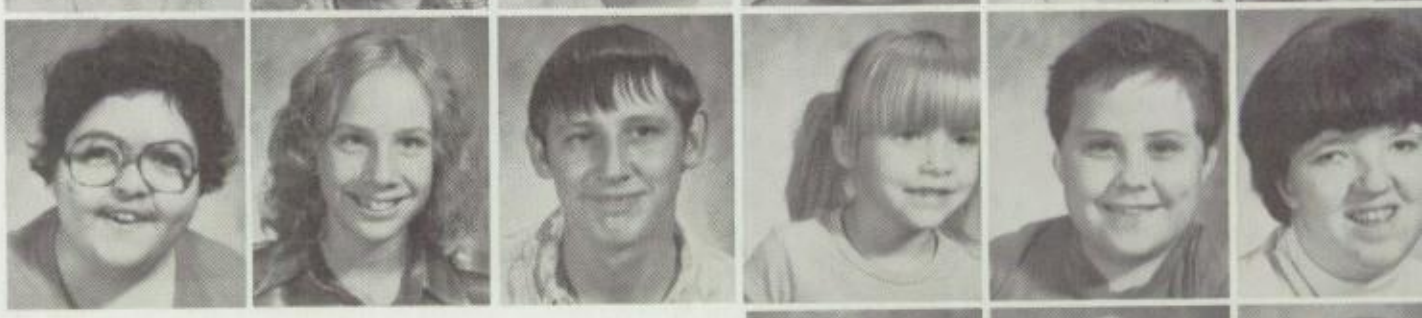

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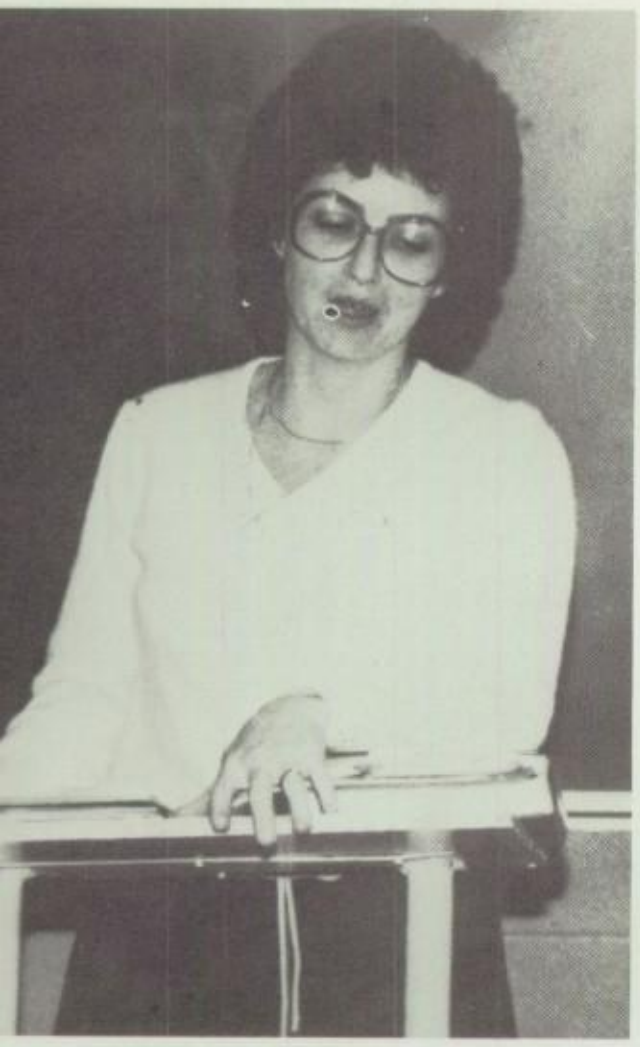

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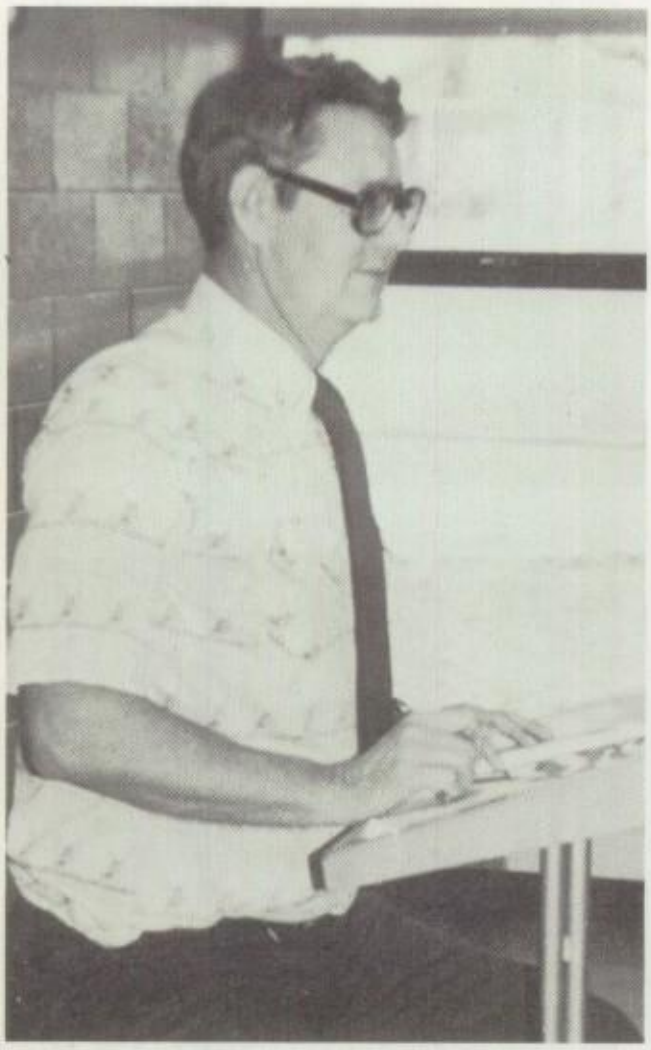

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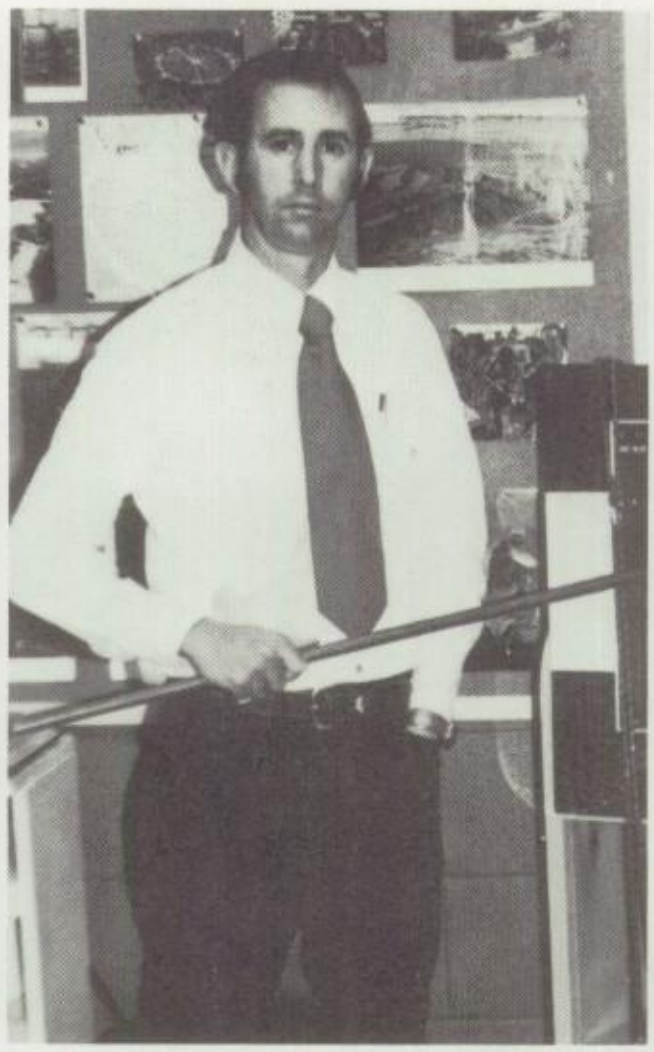

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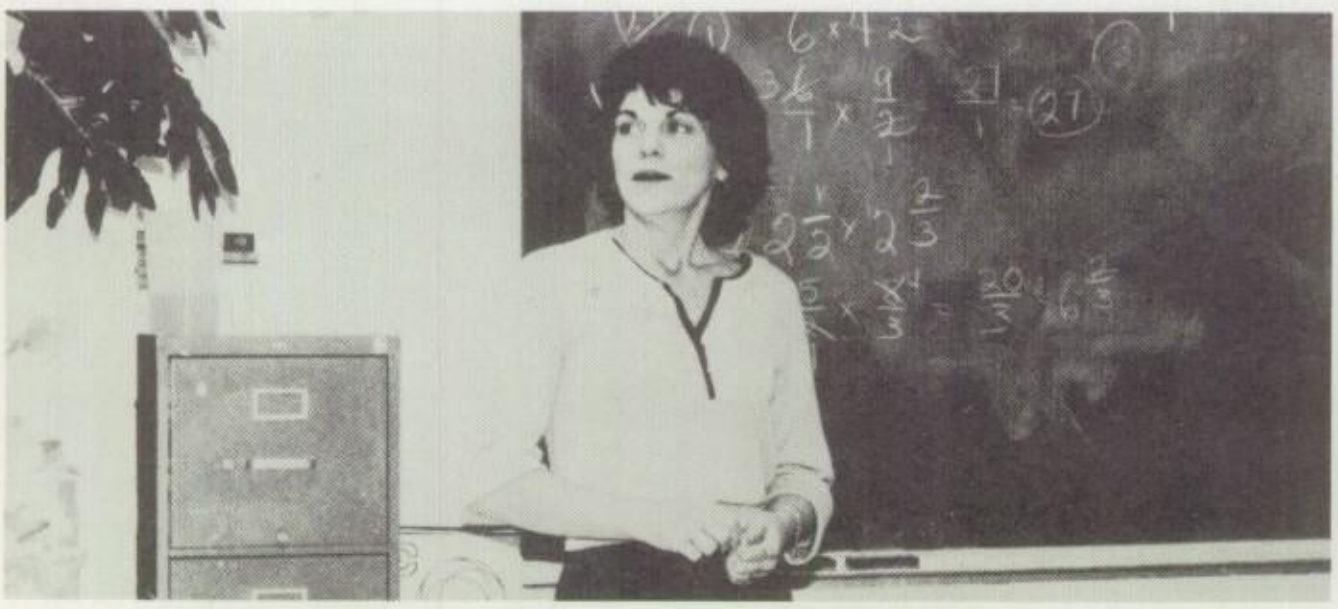

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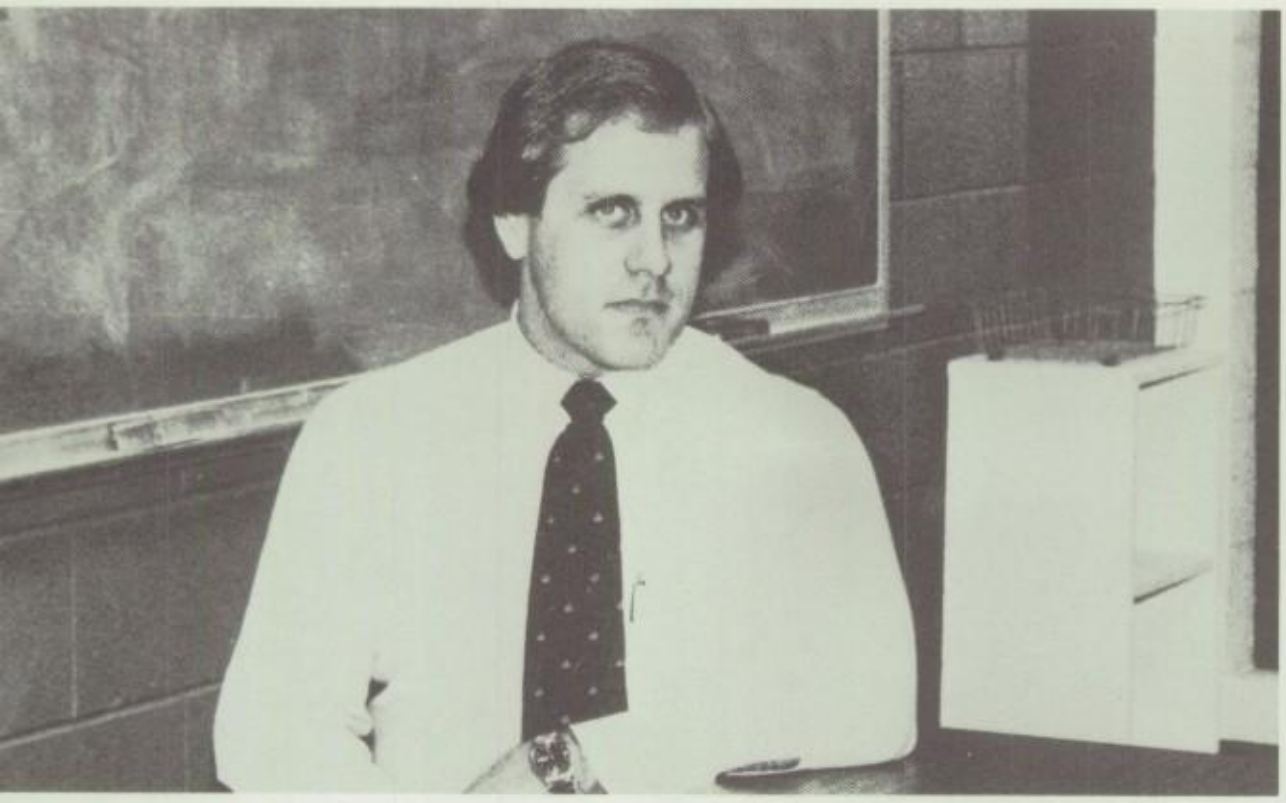

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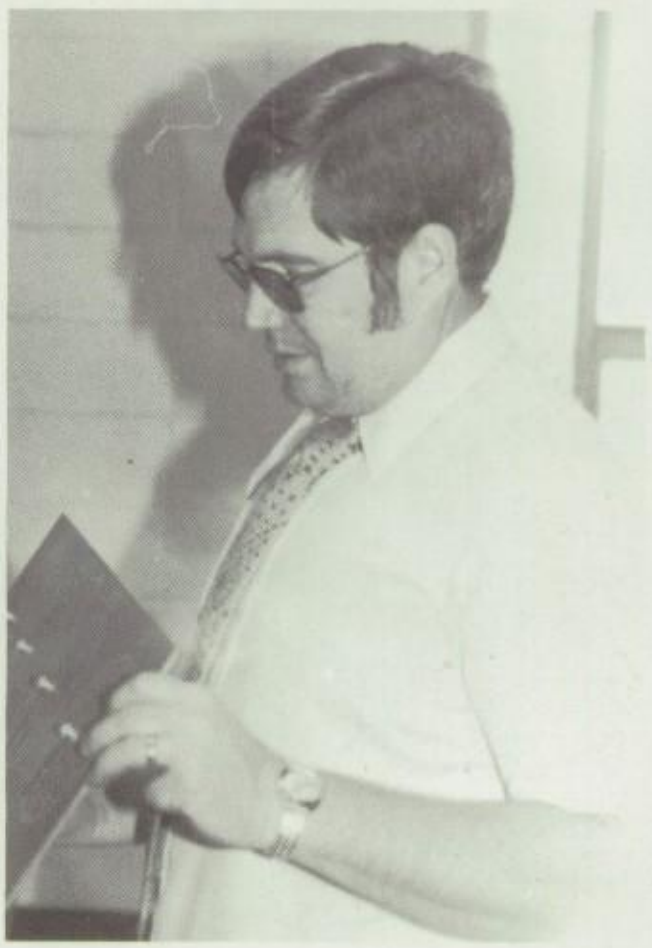

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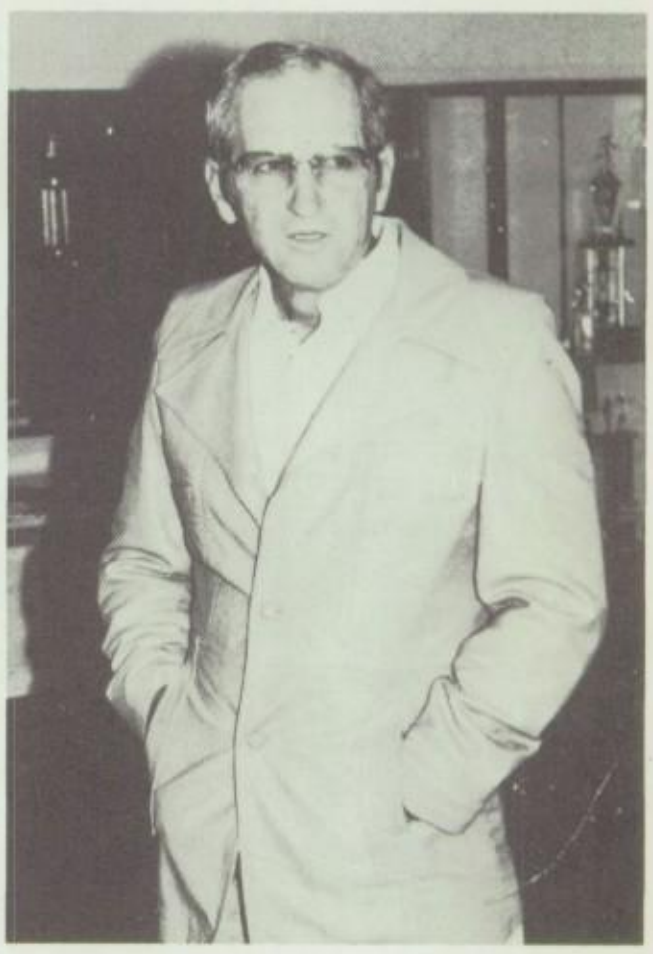

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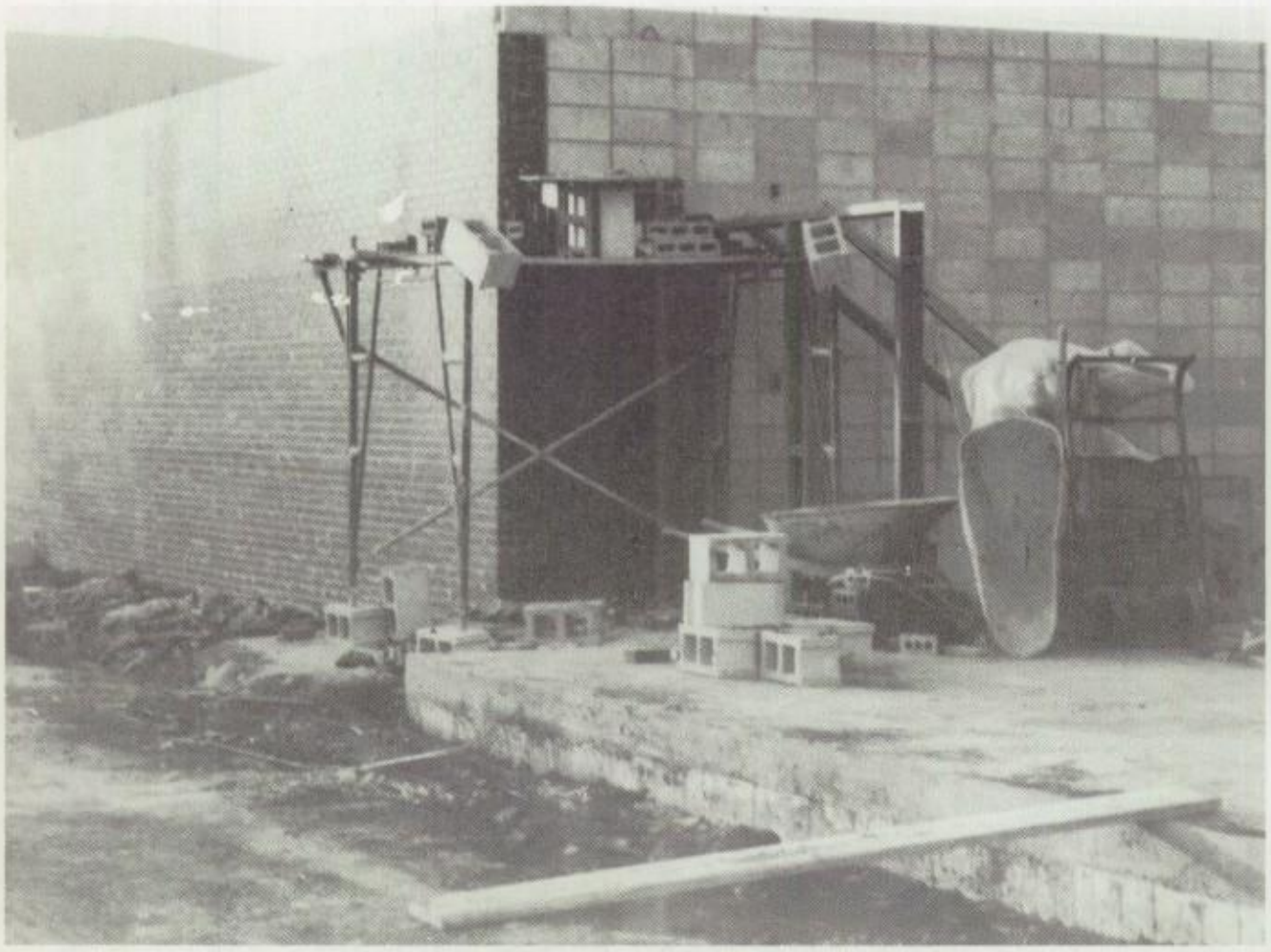

Construction gets under way, for the new addition of the school.

Jane and Lisa Davis take time out during the weekend to go to the movies.

Senior Matt Caldwell works week nights at the Poteau Superette.

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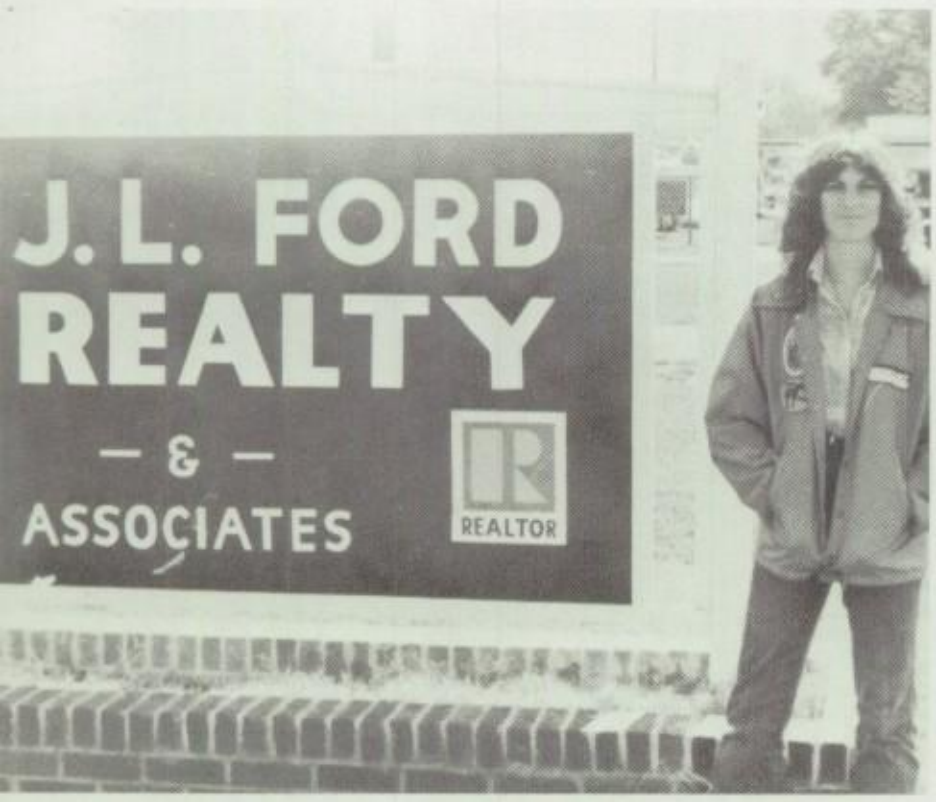

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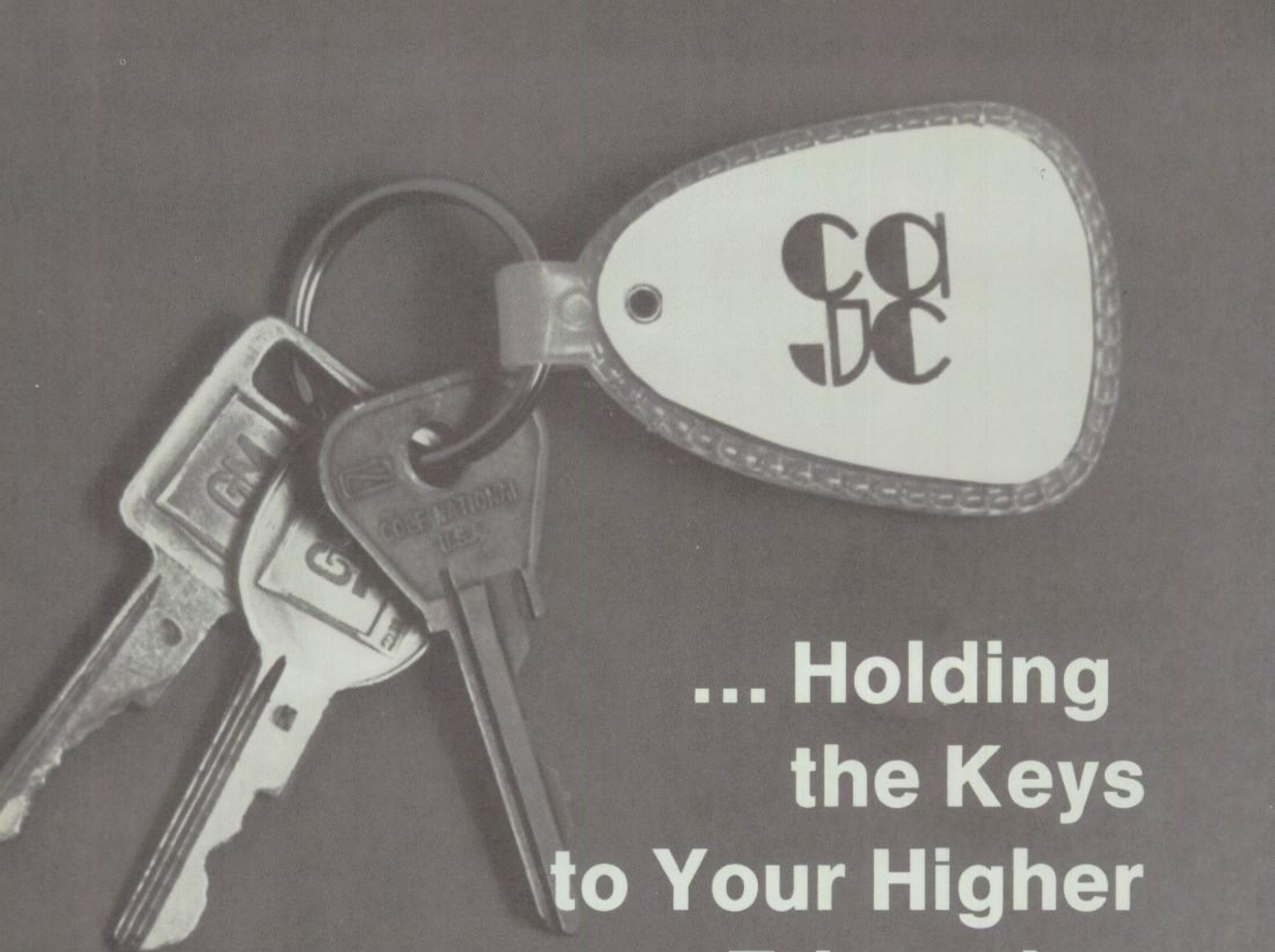
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Holly Hayes kicks her feet up on the executive's desk at Central National Bank.

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Juniors Natalie Qualls and Debra Myers enjoy the feel of fine furniture.

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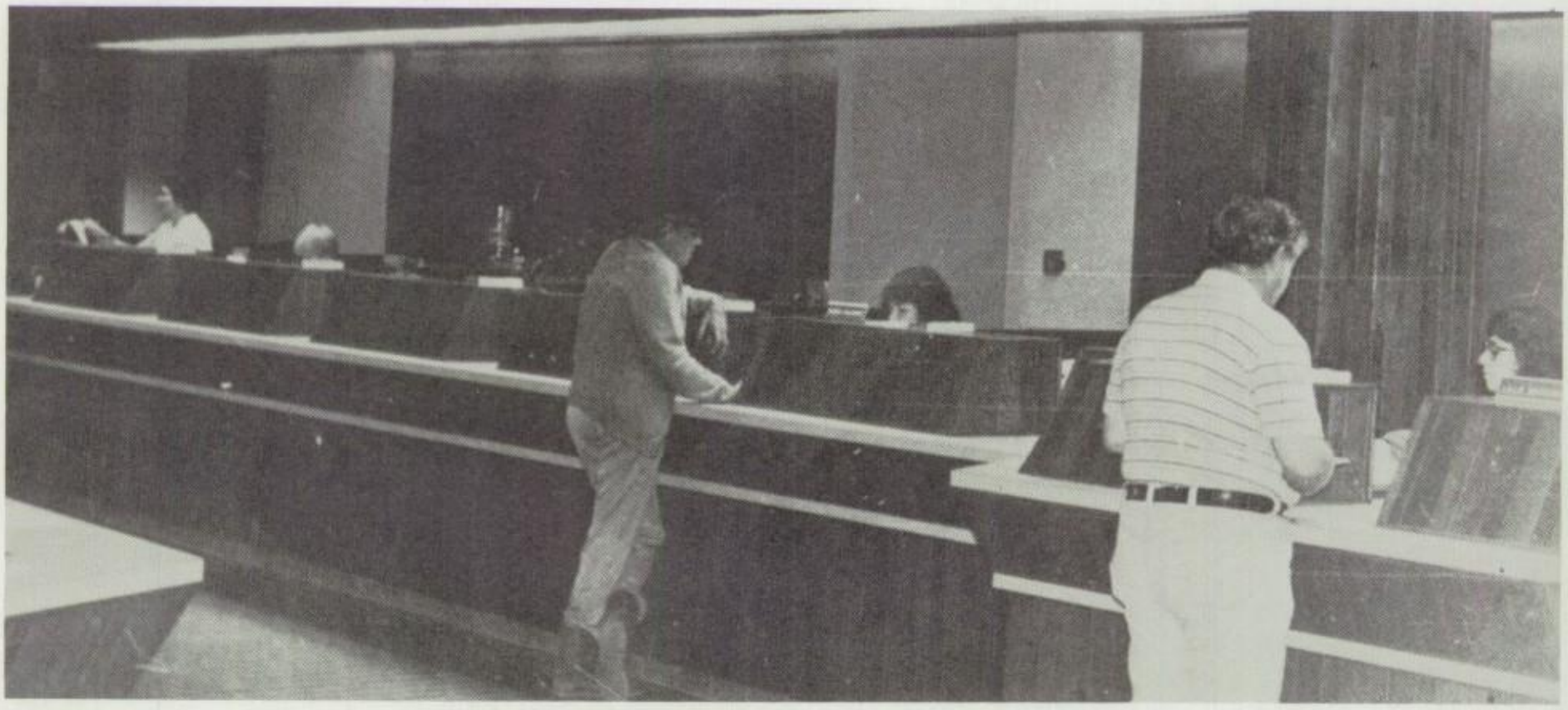
The Polar Bear instructs Jon Sullivan as he prepares a delicious dessert.



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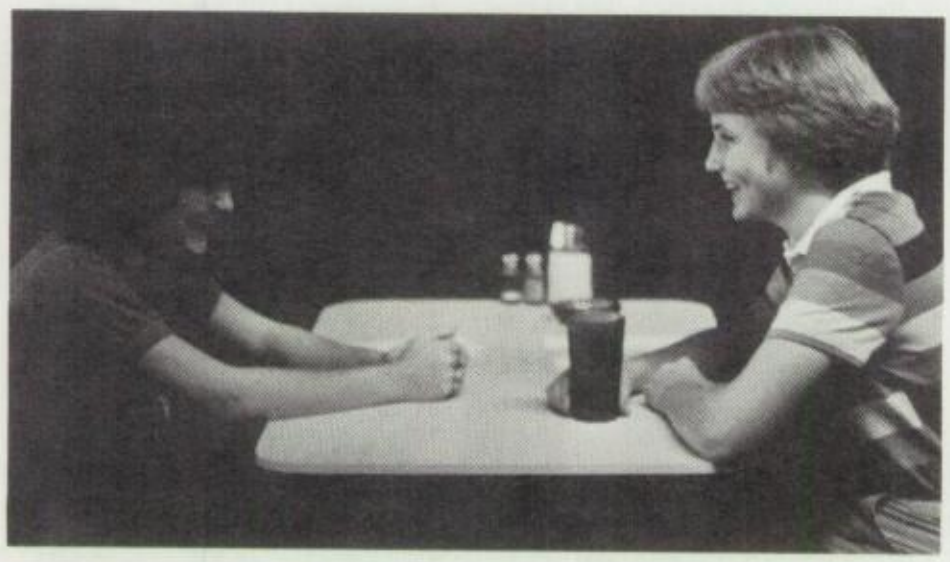
Laurie Woodruff, Kent Creighton and Stacee Stover enjoy the exciting atmosphere at Skate Reation.



LC'S CAFE

Teresa Midgley and Dena Manis await their meal at LC's.

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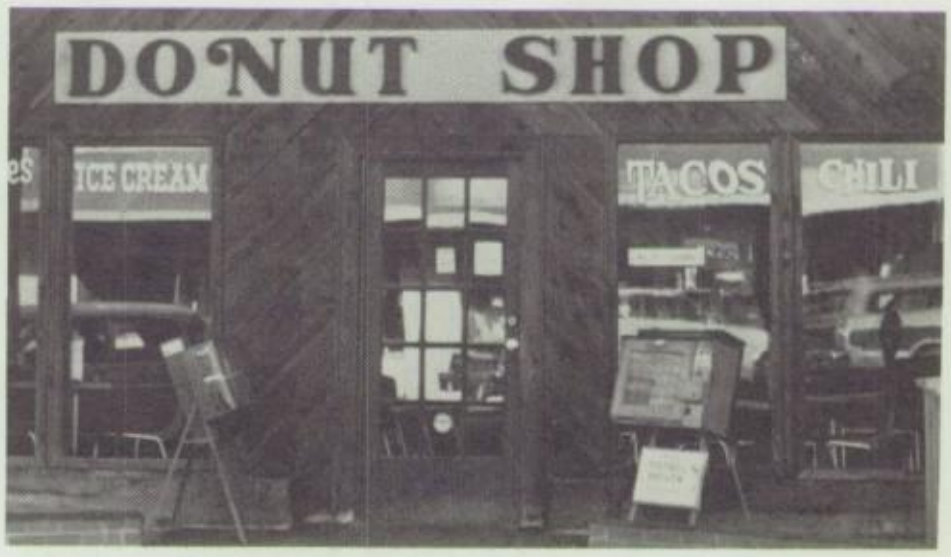

POTEAU, PAWN & GUN SHOP INC.

Lenny Humphries had better "duck" before Kim Ogilvie takes careless aim.

CHICKEN HUT

Ann Lauck talks to Risa Siler during her break at the Chicken Hut.

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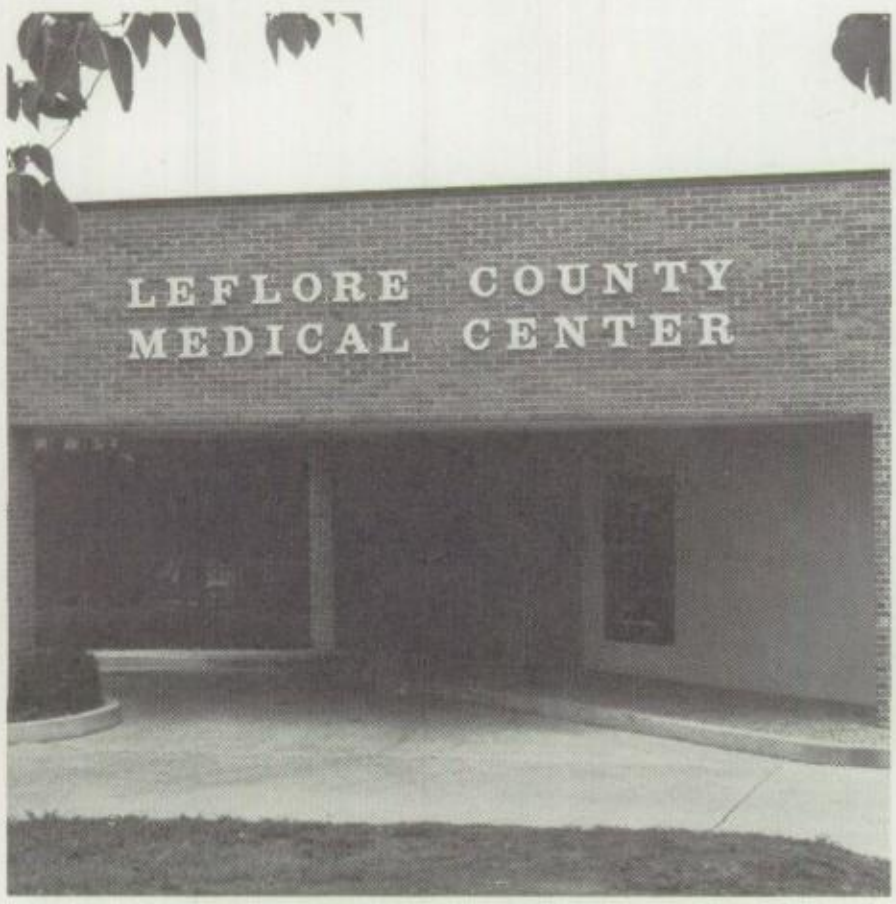

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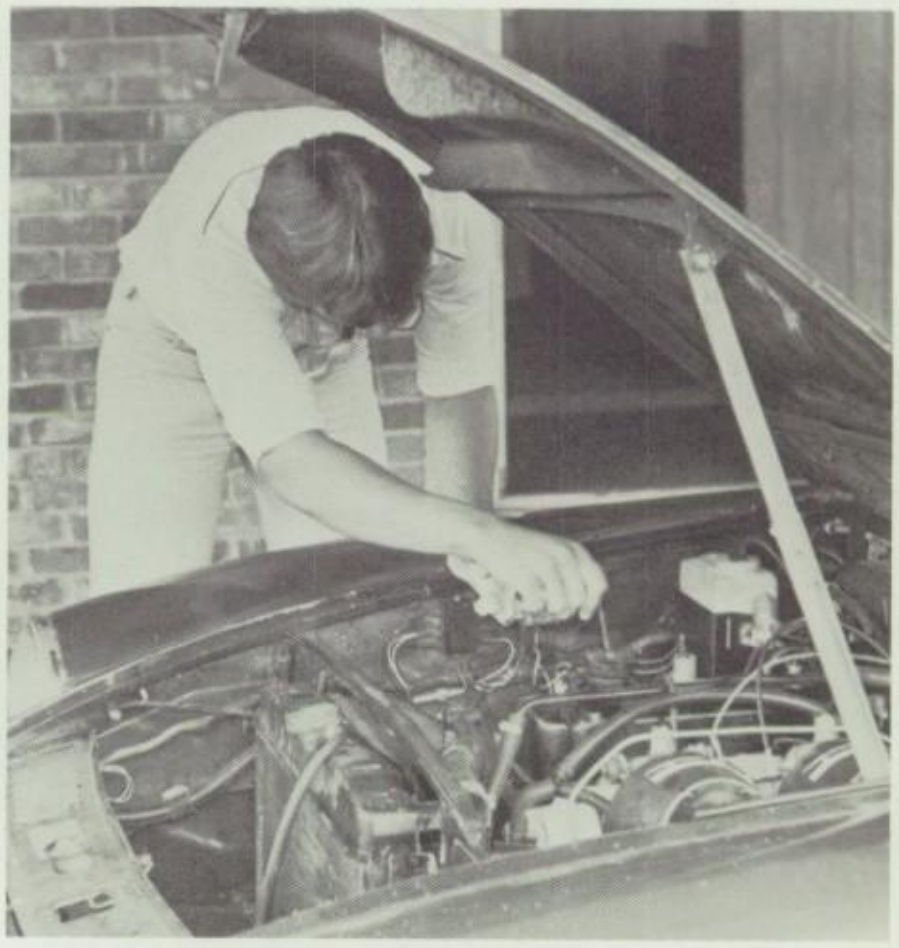

PIZZA SHACK

Soph. Trisha Talley is ready to serve you at the Pizza Shack.

TURMAN PIERCE

Suzanne Wize takes a call at Turman Pierce at her after school job.

THE RED WAGON

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JONSTON CLINIC

Junior Donna Johnston takes time off from her dad's clinic to pose.

DOG CREEK RANCH

Bobby Reed, Ryan Clayborn, and Robin Reed pose with a friend at the Dog Creek Ranch.

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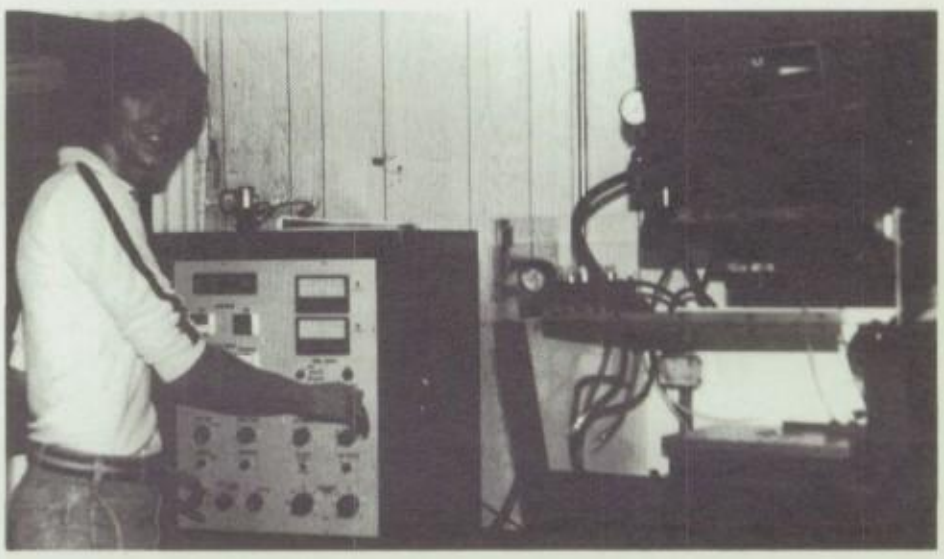

Ronnie Campney demonstrates one of the instruments at Randco Tool and Mold.

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Amy and Donnie Wise stretch out on the fine variety of carpets at the Wise Floor and Lighting.

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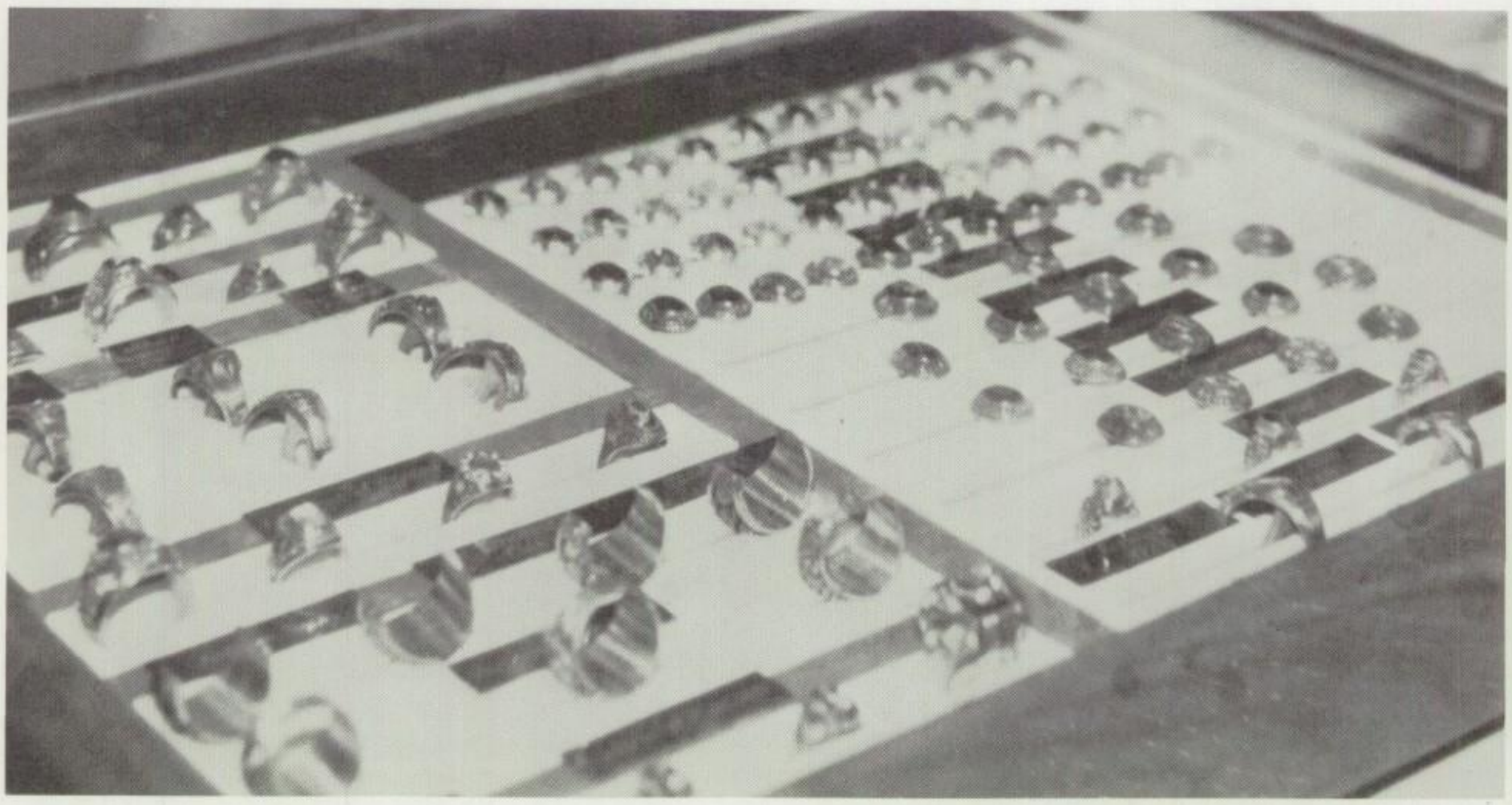

Senior Paul Wilson tries on a jacket at the Hitchin' Post.

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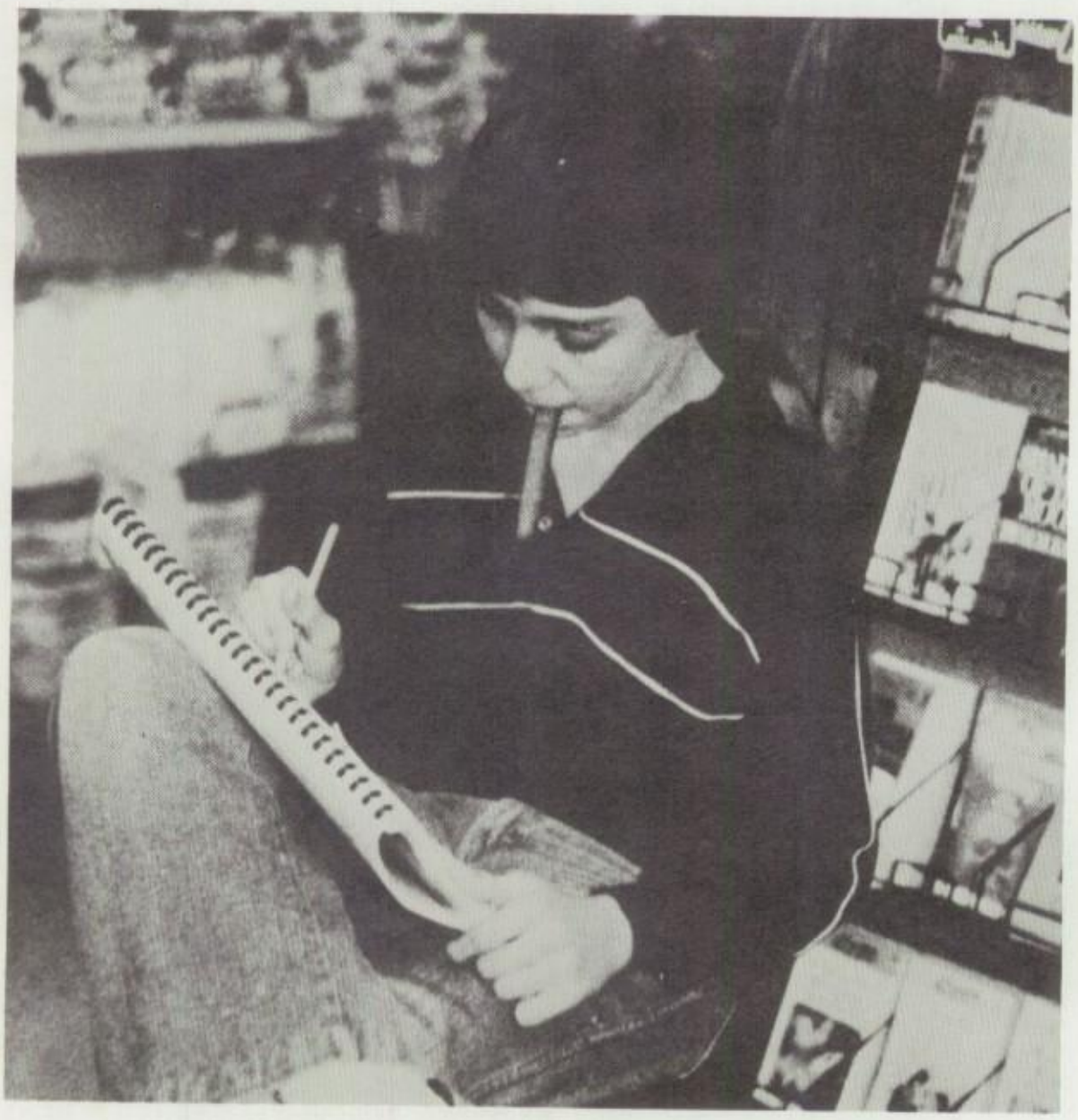

Following in his father's footsteps, Patrick LaFevers checks over next week's schedule.

ANTHONY'S

Dane Field and Lisa Shankle model some of the fashionable clothes at Anthony's.

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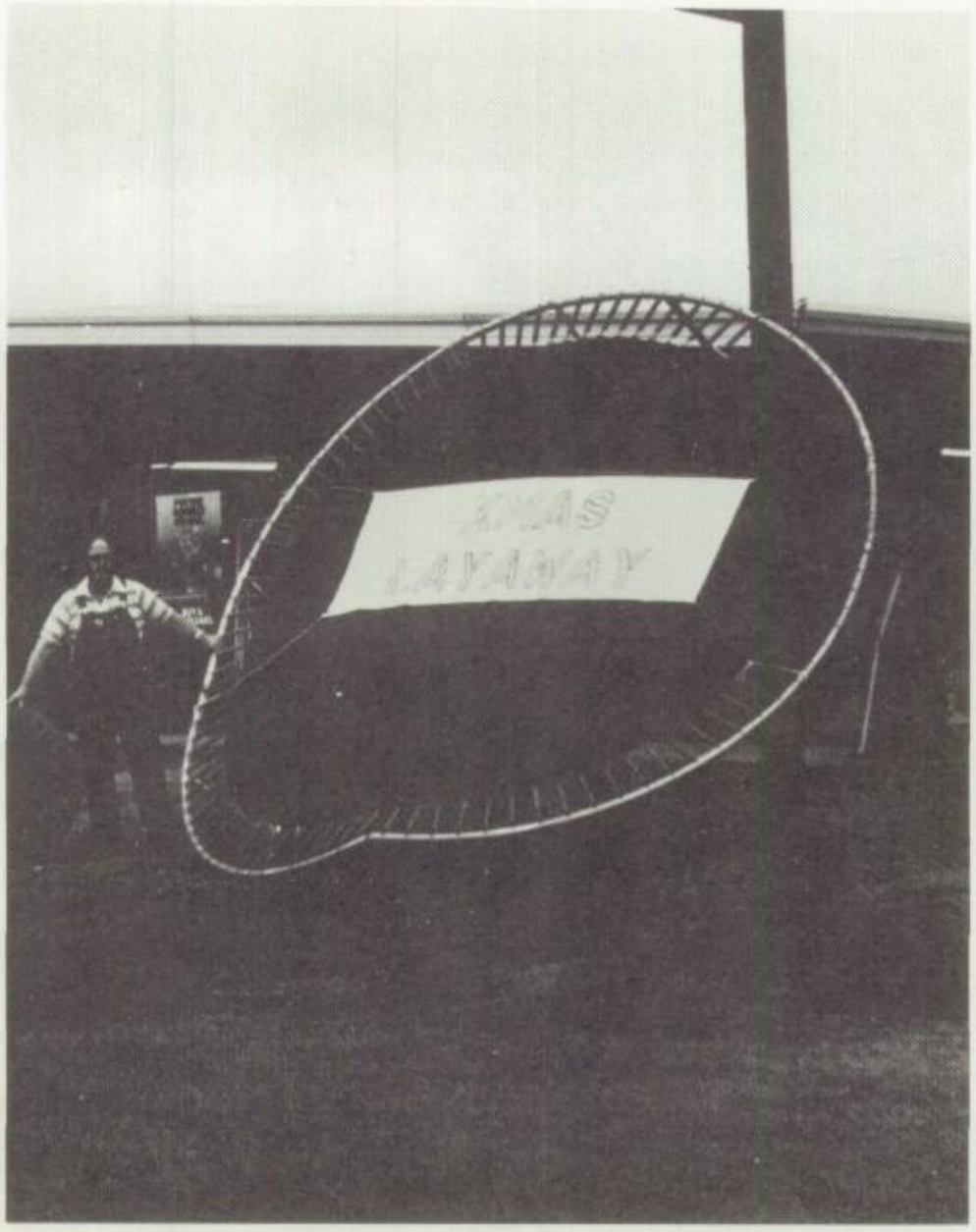

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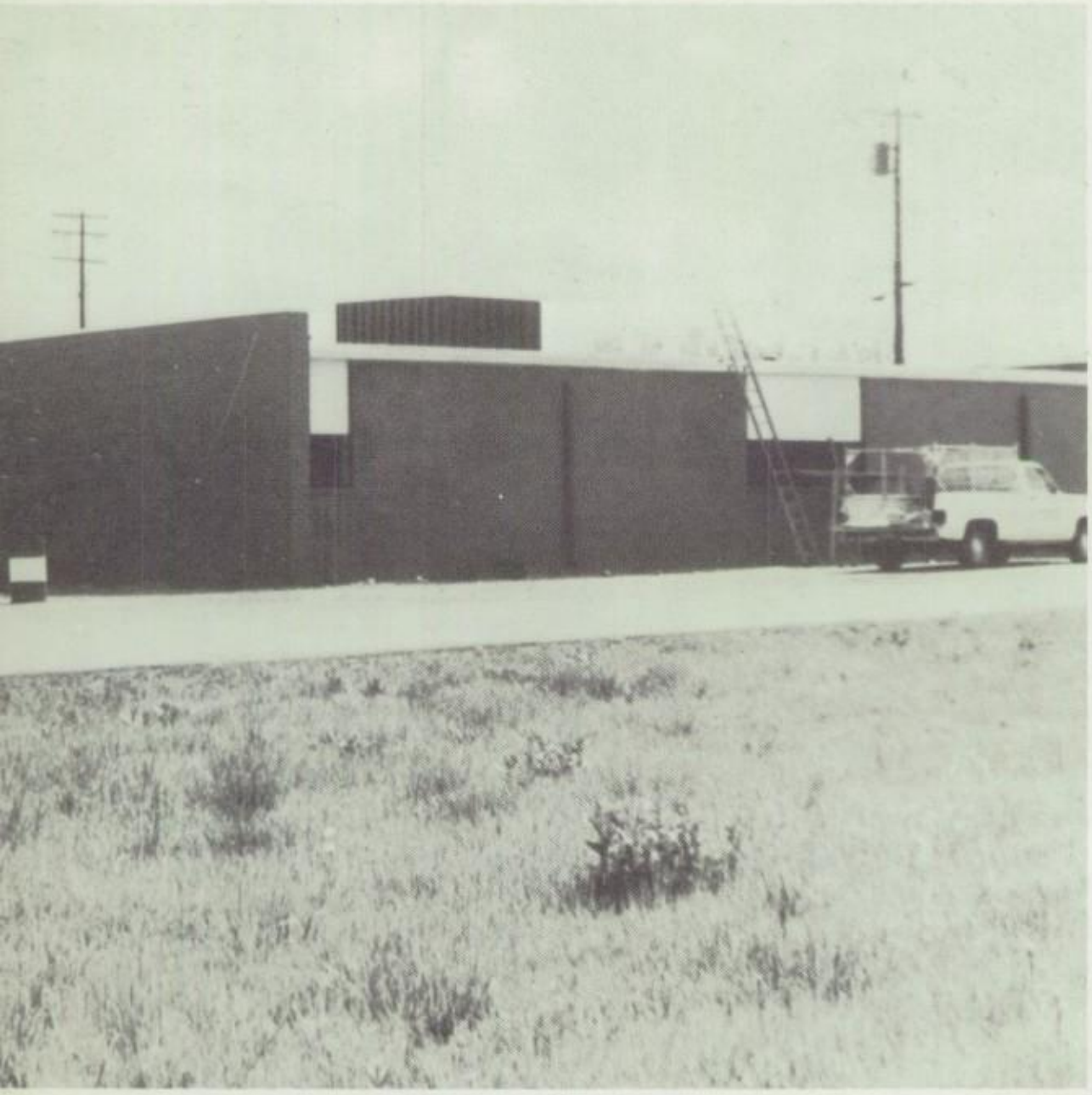
Senior Carl Brown, alias "Carly Daniels" dles around during the annual talent shows.

Senior Ronnie Campney shows his pr winning form in Polar Bear Ashburn's cream eating contest.

rren Burgess and Mark Winters try their ggy Fleming routine on a frozen puddle bet- en classes.

We were "thinkin' 82" as construction on the addition shaped up.



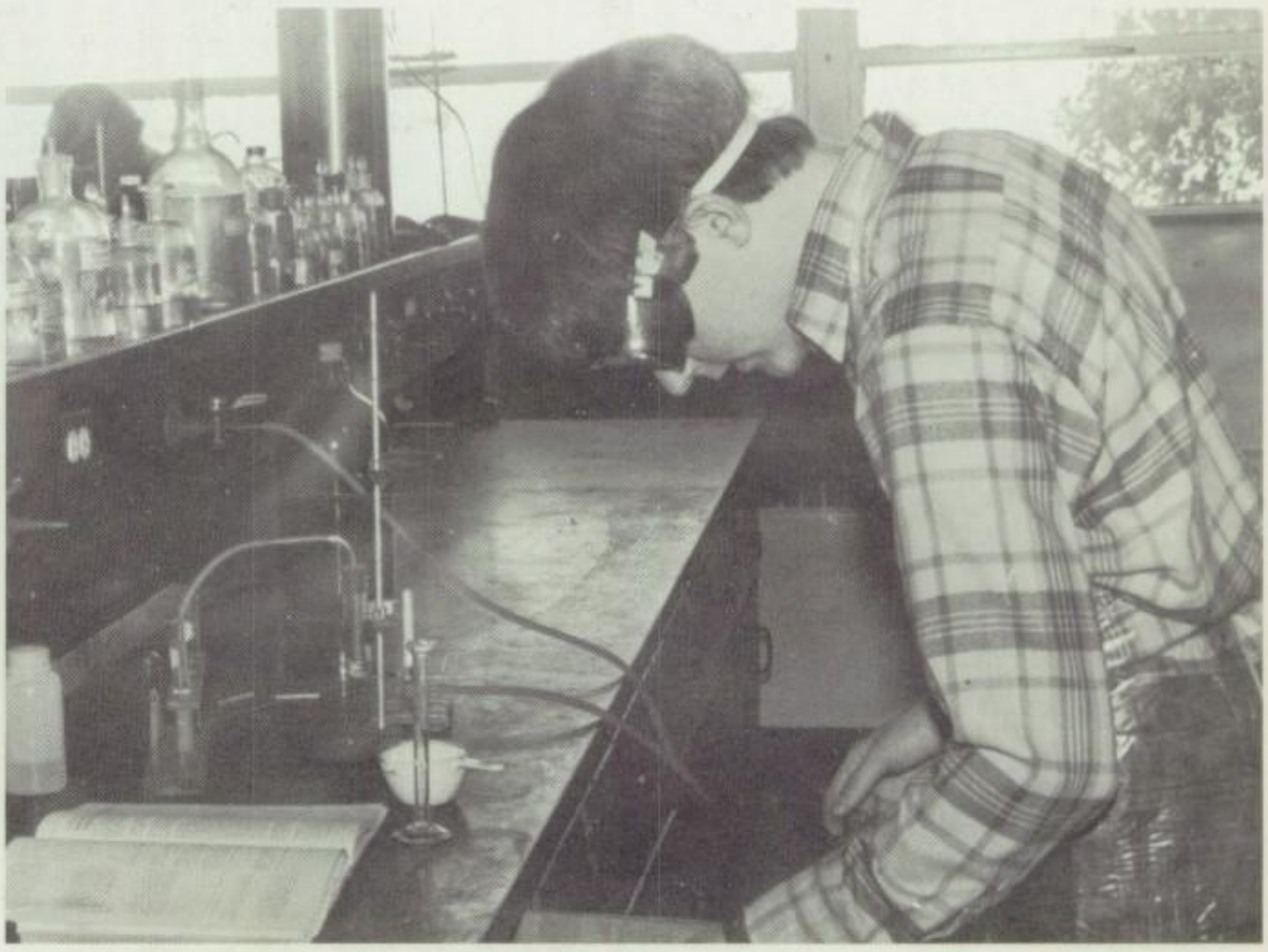
What A Year

What a year! Nine months, from August to May, crammed full of ball games, club meetings, semester tests, the usual. What made this one special? It was one of *our* high school years. The greatest.

A big change was coming. Our school was getting a new look. We were thinking ahead of years to come when PHS would house grades nine to twelve, and the junior high would become a middle school.

This slow change affected everyone. Surely the drivers among us were affected by announcements from the office that read "If you have parked near the west end of the building, you need to move your car. Lots of construction going on down there as you know." As we know. The sight of it was obvious, the smell was there, the noise was there. But life went on. Pep assemblies, early band practice, three-a-daze football, skipping, 12:37 with Mr. Hix, the usual grind. But what a year. We lived '81, now we were looking forward to '82.

Senior Sterling Zearley becomes Elwood Blues on Crazy Day during homecoming week.



Sophomore Jeff Bright gathers his equipment for a lab experiment.

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Cindy,
It's been fun knowing you this year. I wish I didn't have to graduate. I hope next year is funner than this one. Good luck in the future. May God Bless You.
Chapple to Love
See you Friends Always
this
Summer. Carolyn Blair
Sr. '81

Cindy,
I'm really glad we're friends. I'd have never made it through Alg. II (yuk) without your help. Have a smart and you will go far.
Friends
Forever,
Debi Luchman

Cindy
You a nice girl
who I enjoy
going to school
with. Good luck
Brad Summer

Cindy
I am glad that you
let me be your friend.
And I hope that in
the future you will
be as happy as you
have made everyone
around you.
Love
Joyce, Lewis
Sr. 81'

Cindy
You are a very good
friend. I'm glad I have
known you. I hope you
have a very happy
next year. I hope
with your life
Good Bless You
Love always
Debra Jean
Kennedy
Sr. 81'

Cindy,
I'm really glad we're
friends & I'm glad
you're graduating
with me. Have a
great summer &
Chandra Lewis
Sr. 81'

Cindy,
I've enjoyed going to school with you.
Good luck in the future.
Friends Always,
Tammy "Sr." 81
RALLS

Cindy,
I've really enjoyed having chemistry with you and talking with you before the bus comes. I hope we can have some classes together next year. May God bless you. Have a wonderful summer.
your friend always,
Gina Chester
Sr. '83

Cindy,
Sure was fun having you in Creative Writing just sitting watching the guys having to leave the class. Stay sweet and Take Care
Friends Always
Sr "81" Pippi Lo Boka

Cindy,
It's not been to fun in here at 2nd hour. (But I made it.) Maybe we can have some dessert classes together next year. Stay in touch.
Gina
"83"

Cindy,
It's getting close to our graduation, even though it's next year.) This year has been good but we'll have to make next year better! OUR SR YEAR!
(I can't wait)
Friends
Cindy Roberts

Cindy
There's no way I can thank you for all the help you've given me in Chem. You have the patience of a saint! You're a very special person and very sweet. Hope your future is as bright as you! Have a nice summer and I'll see you next year. Friends Always!
Peter '83

Dear Cindy Hi
it was really fun to have gone with you this year. Always stay sweet as you are and maybe someday you'll be president (as Coach Berry would say) Keep your feet on the ground and Keep reaching for the stars!! Always
Debbie Turner '82

Cindy,
well this has been a great year, it been fun having you in English but I don't know about bout (HA.)
Stay sweet and nice and you'll go far good luck + God bless

Love,
Avid
Deaton

Cindy, Hi
Do I owe you a check. Sharing this year at school great. And its been great times with you. I thought we can think of some more to do next year. Your "Wild Stuff" Always, I hope Friend
Love, Kelvin Shaw
'82 yea!

Cindy,
Thanks for sharing your room and a good friendship. Hope you have a nice Summer.
Thanks
Pamela Tibbs

Cindy,
You are a very
pretty intelligent
young lady, that I love
being to school with. You are
a very special lady, in the sports
of basketball, and you will process
in that sport & in life. I hope I
see you more this Summer if not,
have fun your Sr. year, because I will

Sharon Clayton

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Good Luck, it
God Bless you
always

Cindy,
your a very
sweet girl
Your really fun
to have in class.
Good Luck in the future
and in everything you do.

Friends
Forever,
Michelle
-D-
Bruce

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